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## THE SEVENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION

KENNETH C. HOGATE ELECTED NATIONAL PRESIDENT

The seventh national convention of Sigma Delta Chi, which convened at Iowa State College at Ames December 8 to 10, will doubtless go down in the records of the fraternity as one of the most successful assemblies ever held. An idea of the volume of work accomplished can be gleaned by glancing over the minutes of the convention, which appear in another section of this number of the QUILL. President Lee A. White was unstinted in his praise of the delegates, whom he rated as efficient and diligent to a high degree.

"This convention is held," said President White in his address opening the assembly, "that we may get our torches relighted, that we may consider our ideals and our problems. The distribution of ideas and ideals is the purpose of Sigma Delta Chi. It is time for the fraternity to quit distributing embossed papers and pledges. It is time to redeem our pledges to actual accomplishment. If there is anything that Sigma Delta Chi stands for it is service. The true test of the organization is that its idealism should hold with its men as they go out into the profession."

Delegates from thirty-eight chapters and about fifty guests and speakers attended the convention, besides a number of visitors. The convention was held in open sessions, and many students at Ames took advantage of the opportunity to see the newspaper men in action.

National officers for the coming year, elected during the closing hours of the convention, are as follows: National president, Kenneth C. Hogate; first vice-president, H. H. Herbert; second vice-president, N. H. Rader; national secretary, T. Hawley Tapping; national treasurer, Ward A. Neff; executive counselors, Donald Clark (Grinnell-Columbia), Stacy Jones (Kansas), Joe McMullen (Western Reserve-Columbia), and Gilbert M. Clayton (Kansas).

Besides the regular sessions which lasted each day from 8:30 until 5 o'clock with only short adjournments, there was

ample entertainment for the delegates, including a smoker, a banquet, a dance and three addresses which were held as college convocations. Clarence W. Barron, editor of the Wall Street Journal, was the honor guest of the convention. He gave three separate addresses during the convention, and was conferred with a national honorary membership at the convention banquet. Other speakers during the three day session included Harvey Ingham, editor of the Des Moines Register, R. A. Pearson, president of Iowa State College, and Prof. John T. Frederick, of the University of Iowa.

Two new chapters were granted by the convention at the opening session, one at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern, and the other at the University of North Dakota. Delegates from these two new chapters were present to take their seats on the convention floor as soon as the two chapters were voted in. It is indicative of the power of the fraternity to state that in all there were nineteen petitioning bodies seeking chapters of Sigma Delta Chi at the convention.

Ward A. Neff, an alumnus of the Missouri chapter, who was formerly an executive counsellor and who was elected as the new national treasurer, made a brief address on the convention floor in which he analyzed the ideals for which Sigma Delta Chi stands, and urged that they be maintained "in foul weather as well as in fair." He spoke of the development of farm journalism as a still unexplored field which will become of tremendous consequence in the immediate future.

One of the most interesting debates on the floor took place when the discipline committee, in its report to the convention, recommended that Colorado, North Carolina and Virginia chapters, which had not sent delegates to the convention without satisfactory explanation, be fined \$25 each, and in addition the Colorado chapter be required to pay the difference between the pro rata assessment and the

railroad fare. After a prolonged discussion and several amendments had been defeated the original recommendation was passed. That is the first time that a convention has ever legislated on delinquent or unrepresented chapters.

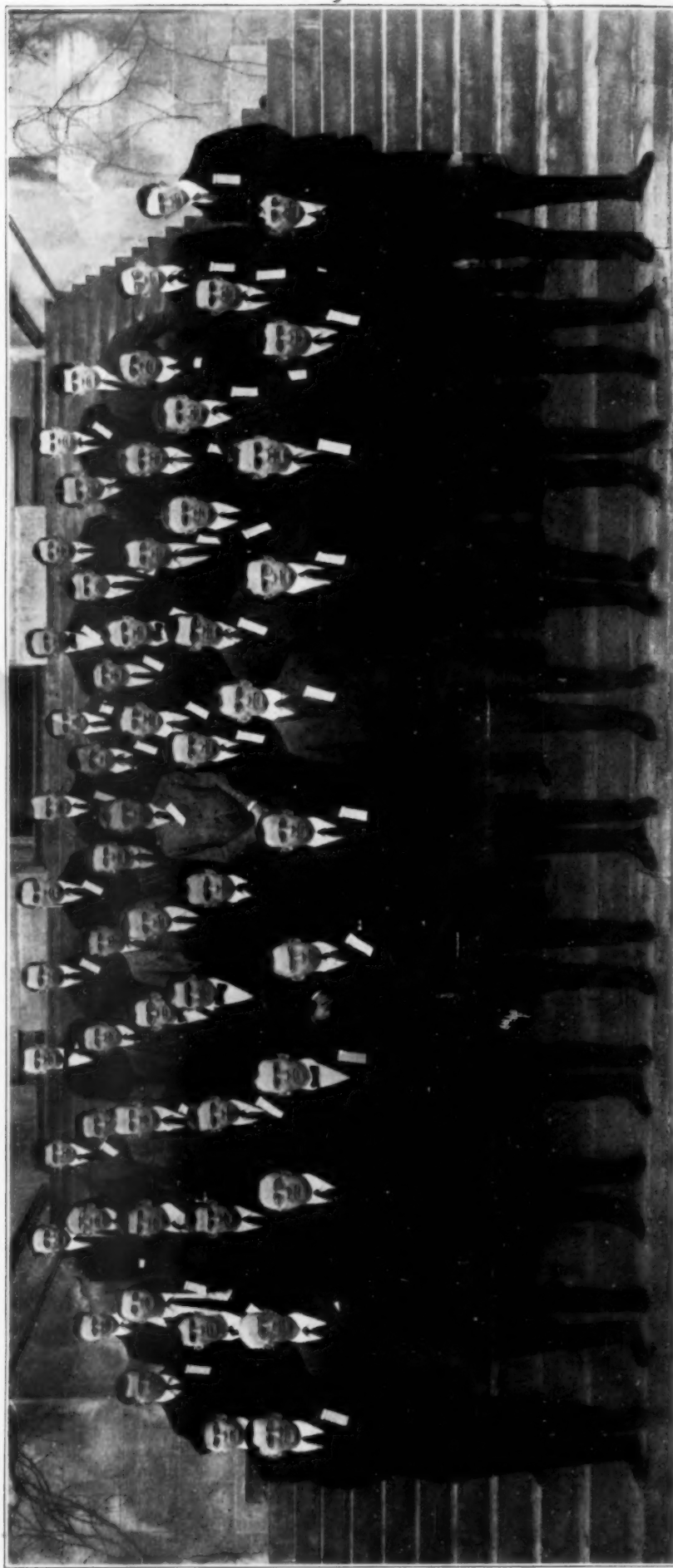
New precedence was established by the committee on basis of membership, which recommended that no sophomores be initiated by any chapter, and that all pledges be required to submit a thesis on some phase of journalism. A uniform pledge emblem was adopted, consisting of a small ~~quill~~ dipped in black enamel.

Four chapters invited the eighth annual convention to their respective colleges, and after a close race the next convention was conceded to Kansas State Chapter at Manhattan. This chapter has sought the convention for four years, and lost last year to Iowa State chapter by three votes, which was the count by which they won over Minnesota this year. Cornell and Northwestern chapters also extended invitations.

The editor of the QUILL wishes to call attention to the report of the committee on chapter activities which can be found in the minutes, which was accepted by the convention. It embodies fine suggestions for keeping the various chapters alive and active.

In regard to the QUILL, it was recommended by the QUILL committee that the organ be published eight times a year, as soon as the editor should find it convenient, and financially possible. Acting on a suggestion of the committee, the QUILL staff is also conducting a prize contest, whereby the three chapters which send in the most material to the QUILL during the coming year will be awarded substantial cash prizes by the executive council. The contest is conducted on a point system, five points being given for feature story or article that is printed and one point for each personal paragraph. The committee also suggested a revised and complete new mailing list, to be secured through the co-operation of the chapter secretaries.

# DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION



FIRST ROW, Left to Right—Don Clark, Des Moines, W. P. Kirkwood, St. Paul; F. M. Church, Cadillac, Mich.; Lee A. White, Detroit, Mich.; Norman Radder, Bloomington, Ind.; H. H. Herbert, Norman, Okla.; Frank Thayer, Evanston; Lloyd Ruppenthal, Lawrence, Kan.; Edward B. Smith, Columbia, Mo.; G. F. McCannon, Columbia, Mo.; J. W. Eichinger, Ames.

SECOND ROW, Left to Right—Raymond Lawrence, Portland, Ore.; V. E. Blackledge, Manhattan, Kan.; Charles P. McInnis, Madison, Wis.; H. Hickman Powell, Madison; Frank E. Mullen, Ames; E. P. O'Connell, Columbia, New York City; C. R. Brown, Baton Rouge, La.; C. H. Ross, Lincoln, Neb.; Wylie Kirkpatrick, Stanford, Cal.; John R. Fleming, Ithaca, New York; Art Brown, Evanston.

THIRD ROW, Left to Right—William M. Hutchison, Bloomington, Ind.; Garrett S. Tammings, Denver, Colo.; H. L. Roberts, Corvallis, Ore.; H. S. Case, Ann Harbor, Mich.; Morris H. Goldstein, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Robert C. MacHatten, Missoula, Mont.; Burton Swart, Grinnell, Ia.; Horace B. Ward, Galesburg, Ill.; Lyman Thompson, Galesburg, Ill.; Clifford C. Terry, Ames; W. E. Drips, Ames; F. W. Beckman, Ames; Blair Converse, Ames; John Townner Frederick, Iowa City.

FOURTH ROW, Left to Right—Harold H. Marquis, Seattle, Wash.; Edward L. Vaile, Beloit, Wis.; Dorrence D. Roderick, Norman, Okla.; Bryant M. Patten, Orona, Me.; Richard McGinnis, Greencastle, Ind.; John W. Sanford, Lafayette, Ind.; Henry R. Cox, Aust'n, Texas; Robley Winfrey, Ames; Ed. E. McKee, Ames; Swanson, Grinnell, Ia.; Bruce Ashby, Grinnell, Iowa.

TOP ROW, Left to Right—Arthur J. Hantschel, Marquette; Tom W. Phelps, Minneapolis; Paul Samuelson, Grand Forks, N. D.; R. C. McCaskey, Cleveland, Ohio; George V. Buchanan, Champaign, Ill.; Harold R. Gross, Columbia, Mo.; A. W. Warren, Ames; John G. Earhart, Ames; Paul A. Potter, Ames.

# MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION

(Following is printed in their entirety the minutes of the seventh national convention. It is well worth while for every man in the fraternity to study these minutes, for not only will he acquaint himself with the new legislation that has been adopted, but also he is sure to be inspired by the work of his order. File this copy of the QUILL away where it may be referred to in chapter meetings, for it is the only printed record of the convention and the legislation enacted there.)

Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, December 8-10

## PROGRAM

### Thursday, December 8

- 8:10 a.m. Registration of Delegates.  
Opening of Convention, Assembly Hall, Engineering Building, Campus.  
Address of Welcome—President R. A. Pearson.  
President's Address—Lee A. White.
- 1:30 p.m. Business Session, Room 313, Engineering Building.
- 2:00 p.m. Convention Picture.
- 2:30 p.m. Reconvene, Committee Meetings, etc.
- 4:15 p.m. Lecture, Prof. John T. Frederick, Agricultural Hall.
- 8:00 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Smoker—Ames Chamber of Commerce, Commerce Club Rooms, Ames, Iowa.  
Program:—  
Prof. John T. Frederick, University of Iowa.  
Harvey Ingham, Editor, the Des Moines Register.  
"A-M-E-S" Quartet.

### Friday, December 9.

- 8:30 a.m. Business Session, Room 313, Engineering Hall.
- 10:40 a.m. Adjournment.
- 11:00 a.m. College Convocation, State Gym., Clarence W. Barron, Publisher Wall Street Journal, speaker.
- 2:00 p.m. Reconvene in Business Session.
- 7:00 p.m. Convention Banquet. Sheldon-Munn Hotel, Ames, Iowa.  
Miniature Gridiron—Iowa State Chapter.  
Program—Prof. F. W. Beckman, Iowa State, Toastmaster.

### Saturday, December 10.

- 8:30 a.m. Business Session, Room 313, Engineering Bldg.
- 12:00 n. Convention Luncheon, College Tea Room, Miss Eda Lord Murphy, Hostess.
- 8:00 p.m. Convention Dance, by Iowa State Chapter of Theta Sigma Phi.

F. W. Beckman, head of the Department of Agricultural Journalism at Iowa State College, called the convention to order at 10:15 Thursday morning in the engineering assembly. He introduced Dr. R. A. Pearson, president of Iowa State College, who welcomed the delegates to the college.

The address of the president of Sigma Delta Chi, Brother Lee A. White, followed that of President Pearson.

After a brief recess following the president's address, the convention was called to order, President White presiding. A motion, made by Brother F. E. Mullen of the Iowa State chapter that the order of business be suspended to hear the cases of two petitioning chapters, was passed.

## Petitioning Bodies.

Paul L. Samuelson, representing the Grid Club of the University of North Dakota, spoke in behalf of that petitioning body.

The session was adjourned at the conclusion of Mr. Samuelson's talk.

The convention reconvened at 1:30 o'clock.

Arthur Brown of Northwestern University presented the case of the Associated Journalists of Northwestern, which petitioned for a Sigma Delta Chi charter.

A motion to grant Northwestern a chapter was presented by George V. Buchanan, Jr., of Illinois chapter. The motion was unanimously carried: 35 ayes and 0 noes.

Garrett S. Tamminga of the Denver chapter moved the granting of a charter to North Dakota. The motion prevailed: 33 ayes and 1 no.

As the result of a motion presented by Mullen and unanimously carried, the petitioning delegates, Mr. Brown and Mr. Samuelson, were seated in the convention and granted the privilege of delegates.

At 2 o'clock, the convention recessed to have its picture taken.

When the convention was called to order at 2:25, Past President Church read the report of the national secretary, Kenneth C. Hogate, who after coming to Ames December 7, was called home because of illness. The report follows:

## Financial Report.

REPORT OF KENNETH C. HOGATE, secretary, to Seventh Sigma Delta Chi Convention.

Receipts from 183 members at \$5 fee .....	\$ 915.00
208 members at \$8 .....	1664.00
O. A. C. charter fee .....	25.00
Marquette charter fee .....	25.00
Balance Cornell initiation expenses .....	30.00
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>\$2659.00</b>

## Disbursements.

To treasurer Slips 152-178 inclusive, .....	\$ 366.00
183 members at \$2 .....	1040.00
208 members at \$5 .....	25.00
O. A. C. charter fee .....	25.00
Marquette charter fee .....	30.00
Balance Cornell initiation .....	

Disbursements total receipts to treasurer \$1486.00	
To editor Quill Slips 152-178 inclusive, .....	\$1173.00
391 members at \$3 .....	

Total disbursements .....

A total of 422 members was initiated during the year between conventions. Of these 391 were paying active members, the others being honorary, associate or nunc pro tunc.

Correct, Attest: Lee A. White, President.  
F. M. Church,  
Kenneth C. Hogate,

The report was unanimously accepted upon motion by John R. Fleming of the Cornell chapter.

The report of National Treasurer Norman J. Radder was read. It was as follows:

### Financial Report of National Treasurer for Ames Convention, December 1921.

Receipts:	
Balance from Oklahoma convention .....	\$ 231.99
Secretary's remittances:	
No. 152 .....	52.00
153 .....	8.00
154 .....	73.00
155 .....	34.00
156 .....	58.00
157 .....	39.00
158 .....	16.00
159 .....	30.00
160 .....	20.00
161 .....	44.00
162 .....	28.00
163 .....	45.00
164 .....	50.00
165 .....	43.00
166 .....	80.00
167 .....	10.00
168 .....	40.00
169 .....	94.00
170 .....	45.00
171 .....	100.00
172 .....	100.00
173 .....	147.00
174 .....	50.00
175 .....	95.00
176 .....	70.00
177 .....	55.00
178 .....	60.00
Interest from Liberty Bonds .....	8.00
Remittances from alumni chapters:	
Chicago .....	5.00
Des Moines .....	5.00
Total .....	\$1,735.99
Voucher No. 233 .....	\$ 47.20
234 .....	44.00
235 .....	100.00
236 .....	14.00
237 .....	.70
238 .....	30.85
239 .....	106.75
240 .....	29.10
241 .....	85.00
242 .....	57.60
243 .....	114.54
244 .....	107.10
245 .....	45.41
246 .....	27.95
247 .....	55.20
248 .....	225.00
249 .....	31.75
Total .....	\$1,122.15
Total Receipts .....	\$1,735.99
Total expenses .....	\$1,122.15
Balance .....	\$ 613.84

Ames, Iowa, December 7, 1921

Audited and found correct:

Lee A. White.  
F. M. Church

Upon the motion of E. P. O'Donnell, of Columbia chapter, the report was accepted.

In the absence of Prof. Frank L. Martin of Missouri, editor of the QUILL, who was unable to attend the convention because of illness, E. B. Smith, who has assisted him in the editing of the paper, made the report upon its administration. He especially urged chapter secretaries to be prompt in forwarding material for the QUILL and asked that only material with real news value be submitted. He asked that the term "brother" be discontinued in QUILL stories.

Action on this report was deferred, upon the motion of Delegate Buchanan until the report was audited by the convention QUILL committee.

### Credentials.

The report of the credentials committee was next heard. It was presented by Bryant M. Patton of Maine, and with slight revisions was accepted. The revised report follows:

#### The Following Delegates Are in Attendance:

De Pauw .....	Richard R. McGinnis
Kansas .....	Lloyd Ruppenthal
Michigan .....	H. S. Case
Denver .....	Garrett S. Tamminga
Virginia .....	No Delegate
Washington .....	Harold H. Marquis
Purdue .....	John W. Sanford
Ohio State .....	Charles G. Stewart
Wisconsin .....	Charles P. McInnes and H. H. Powell, alter.
Iowa .....	George H. Gallup
Illinois .....	George V. Buchanan, Jr.
Missouri .....	G. F. McCannon
Texas .....	Henry R. Cox
Oklahoma .....	Raymond Lawrence
Oklahoma .....	Dorrence D. Roderick
Indiana .....	William M. Hutchinson
Nebraska .....	Clarence H. Ross
Iowa State .....	Frank E. Mullen
Stanford .....	Wylie Kilpatrick
Montana .....	Robert C. MacHatton
Louisiana .....	Clyde Brown
Kansas State .....	V. R. Blackledge
Maine .....	Bryant M. Patton
Beloit .....	Edward Vaile
Minnesota .....	Tom W. Phelps
Miami .....	Rollie C. Nye
Knox .....	Horace B. Ward
Western Reserve .....	R. C. McCaskey
Grinnell .....	N. Bruce Ashby, Harold Swanson, Burton Swart and Tom Burroughs are also attending.
Pittsburgh .....	Maurice H. Goldstein
Columbia .....	E. P. O'Donnell
Colorado .....	No Delegate
Cornell .....	John L. Fleming
North Carolina .....	No Delegate
Oregon State .....	Homer L. Roberts
Marquette .....	Arthur J. Hantschel
Northwestern .....	Arthur Brown
North Dakota .....	Paul L. Samuelson
Seattle Alumni .....	No Delegate
Detroit Alumni .....	Lee A. White
Milwaukee Alumni .....	No Delegate
Chicago Alumni .....	Frank Thayer and Ward Neff, alter.
Des Moines Alumni .....	Donald H. Clark

#### Visitors and Speakers

Lyman Thompson, Knox chapter.  
Clarence W. Barron, New York City, speaker.  
Ward Neff, Chicago Alumni, speaker.  
T. H. Tapping, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
John T. Frederick, Iowa University, speaker.  
F. W. Beckman, Iowa State, speaker.  
Blair Converse, Iowa State.  
W. E. Drips, Iowa State.

A report of the activities of Sigma Delta Chi at the World Press Congress at Hawaii, submitted by Mr. Charnley who represented the fraternity at the congress, was read by the secretary. A motion to refer the report to the resolutions committee was adopted.

#### Committees.

After a brief recess the convention was called to order at 3:30 and the president gave out the list of committee appointments. The convention committees were as follows:

CREDENTIALS: Patton (Maine); McCaskey (Reserve); Goldstein (Pitt).

RITUAL: Roderick (Okla.); Brown (La.); Hantschel (Marq.); Ashby (Grinnell); O'Donnell (Columbia).

CONSTITUTION: Case (Mich.); Hantschel (Marq.); Sanford (Purdue); Tamminga (Denver); Samuelson (N. Dak.).

RESOLUTIONS: Tamminga (Denver); Powell (Wisconsin alternate); McGinnis (De Pauw); Samuelson (North Dakota); Stewart (Ohio).

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES: Marquis (Wash.); Stewart (Ohio); McHattop (Mont.); Roberts (OAC); Cox (Texas).

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL COM. ON CHAPTER ACTIVITIES: Herbert (Ill.-Okla.); Kirkwood (Minn.); White (Mich.).

EXPANSION: McInnis (Wisconsin); Vaile (Beloit); Ruppenthal (Kans.); Blackledge (Kans. State); Brown (La.).

TRANSPORTATION & POOL: Radder (Wis.); Gallup (Iowa); Potter (Iowa State); Brown (Northwestern); Ward (Knox).

DISCIPLINE: Ashby (Grinnell); Goldstein (Pitt); McCaskey (Reserve); Patton (Maine); Lawrence (Ore.).

NOMINATIONS: Fleming (Cornell); Buchanan (Ill.); Phelps (Minn.).

ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITY: Clark (Grinnell-Columbia-Des Moines Alumni); Tapping (Michigan); Neff (Missouri-Chicago Alumni).

QUILL: Clark (Grinnell-Columbia-Des Moines); Marquis (Wash.); Ruppenthal (Kans.); Blackledge (Kansas State); Hutchinson (Ind.).

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS: Buchanan (Ill.); Kilpatrick (Stanford); Phelps (Minn.); Fleming (Cornell); McCaskey (Reserve).

CONVENTION: Mullen (Iowa State); Case (Mich.); McCannon (Missouri); Roderick (Okla.); McGinnis (De Pauw).

CONTEMPORARIES: McCannon (Missouri); Kilpatrick (Stanford); Hutchison (Ind.); Lawrence (Ore.); Ross (Nebr.); Roberts (OAC).

MEMBERSHIP, BASIS OF: O'Donnell (Columbia); Ward (Knox); McHattop (Mont.); Thayer (Wis-Chicago Alumni).

AUDIT AND FINANCE: Cox (Texas); Ross (Nebr.); Gallup (Iowa); Sanford (Purdue); Nye (Miami).

The convention recessed at 4:15 to hear a lecture in Agricultural Assembly on Literature in the Middle West, by John Towner Frederick, editor of the Midland Magazine, of the University of Iowa.

The Convention was called to order at 8:45 a. m., December 9. A partial report of the discipline committee, in regard to fines for tardiness and absence from sessions, was made by Chairman Bruce N. Ashby of Grinnell. The report was unanimously adopted.

#### Discipline

The complete report of the discipline committee was next heard. It was presented as follows:

The committee on discipline, after consideration of the various phases of the work of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity, in both national and chapter affairs, offers the following report.

I. Inasmuch as three chapters of Sigma Delta Chi, namely Colorado, North Carolina and Virginia, are not represented at the seventh national conclave, and inasmuch as their explanations have not been deemed satisfactory, the committee recommends that a fine of twenty-five (\$25) dollars be imposed on each of these delinquent chapters, and in addition that the Colorado chapter pay the difference between the pro rata assessment and the railroad fare. This fine shall be payable not later than February 1 and if it is not paid by then to the national organization, the committee recommends that the matter shall be referred to the executive committee for such action as they may deem fit, with suspension of the delinquent chapters suggested.

II. The committee recommends that all efforts be made to have full attendance at all sessions of the fraternity and that in case of negligence in this matter a fine of fifty cents for each tardiness and of one dollar for each cut be imposed unless the delinquent delegate shall present a good and valid excuse. The enforcement is left to the discretion of the executive committee.

III. The committee recommends that in case of negligence on the part of the chapter secretaries in connection with their relationship with national headquarters the national secretary be empowered to demand the removal of such offenders and to direct re-elections to fill such vacancies.

IV. The committee recommends that the individual chapter adopts measures to cover non-attendance at chapter meetings and that in such chapters where such rules are not in effect, members who miss three consecutive meetings without offering reasonable excuses be suspended or fined.

Mullen of Ames moved the acceptance of the report.

Raymond Lawrence of Oregon moved an amendment to the report to the effect that the pro rata share of railroad expense plus a \$25 fine be assessed against the Colorado chapter.

O'Donnell moved an amendment to the amendment to provide that the pro rata fare without the fine be assessed against all three unrepresented chapters. This amendment to the amendment failed to pass.

The original amendment was passed and the report as amended accepted.

Upon the motion of Mullen, C. W. Barron, editor of the Wall Street Journal and other financial papers, and a guest and speaker at the convention banquet, was unanimously elected to honorary membership in the fraternity.

The convention recessed to allow the delegates to attend the all-college convocation in the college gymnasium at which Mr. Barron delivered an address.

The convention reconvened at 1 p. m.

T. Hawley Tapping, of Grand Rapids, Michigan alumni, was introduced by President White as the champion convention visitor of the fraternity. Mr. Tapping has attended five of the seven conventions. He spoke briefly on the history and ideals of the fraternity.

#### Membership.

O'Donnell, chairman of the committee on basis of membership, presented the report of his committee. The report read:

That the convention insist that every chapter have prospective members out of the pledge form, and that there be no winking at its provisions. Every man taken in must be able to sign the pledge conscientiously.

That no sophomores be initiated, they may be pledged.

That no chapter expand the fraternity membership at the expense of lowering the standard of the fraternity. They should insist on the men of high scholarship and good moral character.

That the convention recommend to the chapters that they ask pledged members, before they are initiated, to prepare a report or thesis of not less than 1500 words on some phase of journalistic activity on the campus or in the vicinity of the institution which they attend.

That there be a uniform pledge symbol established. The committee is of the opinion that this symbol should take the form of a natural quill or feather.

A motion was presented and carried that the report be considered by sections. Section 1, 3, 4, and 5 were passed as read. Section 2 was referred to the committee on constitution. Upon the motion of A. J. Hantschel of Marquette the report was adopted as revised.

#### Alumni.

The report of the alumni committee was read by Frank Thayer and was adopted without motion. It was as follows:

There are now five alumni chapters of Sigma Delta Chi, Seattle, Detroit, Milwaukee, Des Moines and Chicago, the last two of which have been founded within the year just passed. Negotiations are under way for the establishment of alumni chapters in New York, Topeka, Omaha, Oklahoma City, Kansas City, St. Louis, Philadelphia and Washington.

The Committee recommends that the alumni chapters offer some prize to Sigma Delta Chi undergraduates, a prize intended to promote a greater professional interest in journalism; that the alumni chapters cooperate in every way possible with the active chapters of the fraternity; that the alumni chapters consider the possibility of a Sigma Delta Chi employment bureau; that the fraternity consider the appointment of a counselor to inspect both active and alumni chapters; that the alumni chapters take it upon themselves to make a correct mailing list, so that the distribution of "The Quill" may be facilitated, and so a complete directory of Sigma Delta Chi graduates can be published.

### Convention.

After a brief recess to allow time for committee meetings, the convention was called to order at 3 o'clock. The following report of the convention committee was read by Chairman Mullen:

The convention committee of this, the Seventh Annual Convention of Sigma Delta Chi, in session, after due consideration of invitations extended to the Fraternity for the Eighth Annual Convention by four chapters, namely Cornell, Northwestern, Minnesota, and Kansas State, recommend as follows:

FIRST: That the Eighth Annual Convention of Sigma Delta Chi be held at the Kansas State College of Agriculture, Manhattan, Kansas.

SECOND: That, due to the cordiality and forcefulness of the invitation extended by the Minnesota chapter, prior consideration for the annual convention site be given Minnesota. The chapter is excellently qualified to be the fraternity's host at a national convention.

THIRD: That the inviting chapters be given the thanks and appreciation of this convention for their invitation.

FOURTH: That the above recommendations be read by the convention committee of the Eighth Annual Convention in session.

A ten minute discussion of the report was allowed Phelps for Minnesota and Blackledge for Kansas State. The vote by ballot stood 20 for Kansas State and 17 for Minnesota. A motion presented by Phelps that the vote be made unanimous was carried. The ballot constituted action on the committee report.

### Relations With Contemporaries.

The report of the committee on relations with contemporaries was next presented but on the motion of Fleming of Cornell it was turned back to the committee for further consideration of recommendations made by delegates.

The convention adjourned until 5 o'clock to see motion pictures presenting the history of newspaper making.

Upon reconvening at 5 o'clock the report of the committee on relations with contemporaries was again taken up. The report, which follows, was adopted:

After discussing the question of relations with contemporaries, with alumni and delegates from chapters of Sigma Delta Chi where unusual situations exist, this committee desires to make the following report:

Since our purposes and ideals are in common, we recommend that Sigma Delta Chi co-operate in every way possible with the American Association of Teachers of Journalism, the American Association of Departments and Schools of Journalism, University Press Clubs and like organizations.

That whenever practicable to work in conjunction with Theta Sigma Phi, women's national journalistic society, for the furtherance of the ideals of the two organizations.

That Sigma Delta Chi at all times maintain friendly relations with and lend their fullest support (financially if necessary) to all organizations whose purposes and ideals are the furtherance of journalism.

That a committee composed of executive board members of Sigma Delta Chi be authorized and directed to co-operate with national and local organizations, representatives of the highest ideals of journalism, to the end that a common high standard of journalism be evolved to replace the varying standards as they exist today; that any steps deemed necessary by the committee chosen, be taken to carry out this provision.

That although Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary journalistic fraternity, has but few chapters at institutions in which chapters of Sigma Delta Chi are located, Sigma Delta Chi should in every instance take the initiative in all journalistic activities.

### Chapter Activities.

The report of the committee on chapter activities was presented by H. H. Marquis of Washington. The report read:

The committee concerning the chapter activities will

consider such activities under the heading of relations with the chapter, relations with high school journalism, relations with the collegiate school or department of journalism, relations to other chapters and the national organization, relations of Sigma Delta Chi and publications of the college or university and the state relations with the profession of journalism.

To the finance committee will be referred questions concerning the raising of funds in the chapter except for certain suggestions which the activities committee makes and endorses to the chapters. Relations with the alumni and many questions concerning relations with the profession, including awarding of prizes, scholarships and medals will be covered by the report of the alumni committee and the committees on professional ethics.

1. The following activities of the chapter are suggested and recommended as means for increasing chapter funds; gridiron banquets, special publications, monthly magazines, lectures, wire reports on athletic contests and dances. These will be used where conditions permit.

It is recommended that all regular and special publications be submitted to the censorship of the journalism faculty.

2. It is recommended that Sigma Delta Chi sponsor and conduct, where possible, conventions of high school journalists, and assist in the foundation of high school press associations. It is also suggested that constructive and regular criticism of high school publications and the establishments of new publications by Sigma Delta Chi be encouraged. To interest high school men in professional schools and departments of journalism should be a part of the work of Sigma Delta Chi.

3. It is recommended that chapters promote and conduct associations of college publications and assist in the conventions of such associations. To establish intercollegiate news service will be considered a part of this work.

Sigma Delta Chi should promote the regular gatherings of all students in the schools and departments of journalism, both for education in journalistic affairs and for social purposes.

Organizations of schools and departments should conduct a mentor or big brother system for underclassmen and should obtain speakers for journalistic assemblies.

4. Sigma Delta Chi influence should always be exerted toward the elimination of questionable political methods in the election of editors and managers of school publications. Active criticism and co-operation with the publications of the college or university should be a paramount activity of the chapter. It is suggested that where practicable Sigma Delta Chi should issue a style book and offer other constructive advice to the editorial boards.

It is recommended that Sigma Delta Chi assist in all college and university publicity and establish a news service for all state newspapers from the chapter's school. An early meeting in each quarter or semester should be held.

5. It is recommended that meetings of Sigma Delta Chi include business meetings which may be luncheon meetings, discussion meetings for the consideration of chapter problems, college, high school and state publications and the entertainment of prominent journalists.

6. It is suggested that for the mutual benefit of chapters of Sigma Delta Chi, joint meetings of neighboring chapters should be held. It is also suggested that exchanges of special publications, plans for gridiron banquets or affairs of interest to others, be forwarded to the chapters. It is recommended that meetings of Sigma Delta Chi be held when members are in attendance at Collegiate press conventions, etc.

The chapter secretaries shall be expected to keep in intimate touch with the national officers and to forward to them at all times information requested, complaints concerning national relations and the records of new members pledged and initiated into the chapters.

The report was adopted after a thorough discussion. Vice-president Herbert of Oklahoma made a supplementary report of activities, suggesting the establishment of scholarships, loan funds, prizes and for best editorials or stories or for the greatest amount of material accepted by campus publications, and trophies for high school publications or country weeklies.

The convention adjourned until Saturday morning ses-

sion to attend the Gridiron and banquet at the Sheldon-Munn hotel.

The Saturday morning session was opened at 8:30 o'clock. The report of the committee on transportation was first heard. It showed that the pro rata share of the railroad expense for each chapter was \$80. The report was accepted.

#### Executive Council Report.

H. H. Herbert presented the report of the Executive Council committee on chapter activities. The report, which was accepted, follows:

The outstanding fact or conviction, growing out of a study of criticisms that have been received by the administration from members of Sigma Delta Chi deeply interested in its welfare, is that there is a vital relation between the selection of members and the interest and activity of chapters. "Cut to the bone," the criticisms referred to seem to reduce to just this:

If only those members are selected, who are definitely determined to enter journalism as a profession and who see in the fraternity a vital bond between themselves and the profession, a "fighting loyalty" to the fraternity will develop and the interest and activities of the chapters will grow and multiply naturally and without forcing.

The criticisms from which come this conclusion fall under three main heads.

The first group relates to the national or general organization. This group calls for "a clearer definition as to what the fraternity stands for," "the announcement of a clear-cut policy by the national organization," and a "closer relationship between the national organization and the individual chapters."

The second group calls for greater activity on the part of the alumni through the organization of alumni chapters which shall co-operate with the undergraduate chapters as a means of influencing the activities of the latter, or both.

The third group deals with the observed lack of interest and activity of many chapters. The criticisms in this third group say that interest is lacking because "the fraternity affiliations are not taken seriously enough because the professional spirit is wanting," "a definite program of endeavor is lacking," and, furthermore, "these lead to a certain levity toward the initiation."

It is worthy of note that practically all of these criticisms come from men who also comment adversely as to carelessness in the selection of members; as to the taking in of men merely on a declaration of intention to enter journalism, merely because they are connected with student publications of some sort, or merely because they are good fellows related to members through other fraternal organizations or in social ways.

Putting the various elements of the criticisms together, the deduction is natural and logical; That if there were a clear-cut definition as to what the fraternity stands for, supplemented by a sharply defined policy; that if these were supported by the alumni in actively functioning chapters, and that if members were chosen for their definite purpose to enter the profession of journalism and the showing of some qualifications for that profession, then there would be small lack of interest and activity on the part of individual chapters.

With these things clearly in mind, your committee is prepared to make certain recommendations.

1. We recommend the formulation of a clear-cut statement of the purposes and policies of the fraternity as a whole—a creed to which all members may heartily subscribe. It is recommended that such a statement be drafted by the executive council, for submission to the several chapters or to a subsequent national convention.

2. We recommend that there be established a program of discussion of fraternity and professional problems, to extend over the remainder of the academic year or of subsequent years, with such modifications from time to time as may seem necessary. We further recommend that this program include the following suggested topics:

- History and development of the fraternity.
- Purposes and ideals of the fraternity.
- Means by which the fraternity seeks to accomplish its ends.
- Weakness of contemporary journalism.

- Function and responsibility of the press.
- Opportunities of the press in public service.
- Ethical obligations of the press.
- Individual responsibility of a member of Sigma Delta Chi.

We recommend the appointment of a permanent committee of professional development, charged with the duty of preparing and distributing to the chapters the outlines, references and suggestions essential to the operation of this program. It is recommended that such a committee prepare for publication in pamphlet form a general statement of the history, aims and ideals of the fraternity.

3. We recommend the establishment of a definition of a functioning chapter, which should include at least these factors:

- A complete internal chapter organization, in active working order.
- Satisfactory relations with the national organization and its agencies.
- Accomplishment of a minimum of campus activity, according to the adopted standards of activity.
- Maintenance of the national program of professional discussion.

We recommend the appointment of a committee to draft the definition of satisfactory relations with the national organization and the determination of what constitutes the standard of campus activity.

4. We recommend the establishment of an agency and a method of determining to what extent chapters are actually functioning, according to the definition should be the executive council or its individual members.

5. We recommend the recognition by publication in the Quill and elsewhere, of those chapters which reach or surpass the minimum of organization and activity, as previously set forth, with additional recognition, by some form of prize reward, of the chapter which in the judgment of the agency of recognition attains the highest degree of usefulness and service to its members and to the fraternity at large.

6. We recommend the utilization of the Quill or of a supplementary bulletin, issued at frequent intervals, for the publication of the national program of discussion, for suggestions as to putting it into effect, for reports on its operation in the several chapters and on the actual results which it obtains.

#### The Quill.

Executive Councilor Don Clark of the Des Moines alumni chapter read the report of the Quill committee:

To the president and convention of Sigma Delta Chi:

Realizing that the Quill is of the utmost value to the Sigma Delta Chi Fraternity in unifying the interests of the several chapters, in stimulation of the interest of the alumni and in the profession of journalism, your committee makes the following report:

1. It should be the policy of the fraternity to publish the Quill eight (8) times during the college year, and we recommend that this policy be put into practice as soon as, in the opinion of the editors, it is financially feasible to do so.

#### 2. Editorial Plans:

We believe that three types of material should be used extensively in the Quill: Leading articles, live short items of fraternity activities and personal paragraphs of the breadwinners. Leading articles of the American Magazine in the field of journalism, are highly desirable. Leading articles should also appear in the magazine on the purposes and aims of the fraternity, in an attempt to give men who are not fortunate enough to be able to attend the national convention, some of the spirit of enthusiasm and belief in the fraternity that is characteristic of the organization's national meetings. Short stories of chapter activities should not be in the form of chapter letters, but rather as true news stories dealing with interesting chapter activities. These should include both alumni and chapter affairs. Personal paragraphs about the breadwinners should be an important feature of every issue, as even a newspaper man is pleased to notice his "name in print".

In order to stimulate the fullest possible cooperation of both alumni and active chapters in the Quill a competition will be established in the securing of editorial material. Effective the next issue, each chapter will receive a credit of one point for each personal paragraph published

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## THE QUILL

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### FRATERNITY JEWELRY

One of the biggest drawbacks in American college life today is over-organization—too much jewelry. It is an evil that Sigma Delta Chi must look to with no little alarm and concern. Too many men—whether they be Sigma Delta Chi members does not matter—go into a fraternity, merely that they can add another chunk of gold enamel to their vest front. Little thought enters their minds concerning the part they are supposed to play, that they in being honored have pledged themselves to unceasing labor for the uplift and advancement of the organization.

Consider the true leaders on your own college campus. They are men who have put real hard labor and thought into every venture, and they are now reaping the harvest of that diligence.

The committee on chapter activities at the last convention realized the danger to the fraternity of falling into such a rut of slothfulness, and they presented to the convention a report that was a masterpiece of ingenuity, resourcefulness and inspiration. One cannot read the report of that committee without catching some of the fire of endeavor that permeates each paragraph. Therein are contained suggestions for activities whereby the various chapters can be kept constantly alive with enthusiasm, ever on their feet financially, and etern-

ally aware of the ethics and ideals that they must hold aloft.

But there is the danger of attempting too much—of getting into too many activities without doing justice to any one of them. Chapters can make themselves conspicuous by the lack of ability to do anything well just as much as by the failure to attempt anything at all.

Still another danger, which was pointed out at the convention, is engaging in such ventures as are not closely allied with the profession. Remember that the fraternity is an organization of newspaper men, not a promotion company or a group of social lions.

Without one reservation it can be said that the best thing that every chapter can do at its next meeting is to read the report of the committee on chapter activities. Then read the entire convention report aloud, and you will find there inspiration that will hold you true to the course for the next year.

### NATIONAL OFFICERS

If the ability of national officers is any criterion of the progress and success of a fraternity, then Sigma Delta Chi during the coming year will take immense strides in upholding its ethics, living up to its own ideals and accomplishing those things for which it lives. The men chosen at the convention to guide the order in this work have long been in the harness. They know not only the power of the fraternity and the responsibility that lies on their own shoulders, but they also know the needs and shortcomings of the order. Let's all help carry on!

### PETITIONING CHAPTERS

An indication of the growing power of Sigma Delta Chi can be gleaned by noting the increasing number of petitioning bodies for chapters of the fraternity each year. There were nineteen such bodies at the convention at Ames, several being personally represented. Two chapters were granted, Medill School of Journalism and North Dakota University have honored us as we have honored them.

It would be a fine thing if the order could be represented strongly in every school in the world. But weak chapters hamper and hold back the progress of

the fraternity, and it takes two strong ones to counterbalance one weak one. Let us grow, but only as the profession and the schools allied thereto advance.

### NEWS PRIZES

You will notice an announcement in the QUILL report of the convention that this magazine is now conducting a campaign under the auspices of the Executive Council, whereby the three chapters who will have sent in the most material to the QUILL during the coming year will be awarded cash prizes at the next convention. The Missouri Chapter is of course eliminated, in order that the competition will be fair. Here is your chance to make some money for convention expenses next year and incidentally to help make the QUILL a better magazine.

### "NOSE FOR NEWS" IS PREVALENT AMONG THE WISCONSIN MEMBERS

Sigma Delta Chi's at Wisconsin are editing practically every university publication and line up as follows:

William M. Sale, '22, managing editor The Daily Cardinal; Charles J. Lewin, '23, athletic editor; H. Hickman Powell, '23, assistant news editor; G. Lowell Gieger, '23, conference news editor; and Sterling H. Tracy, '22, chief editorial writer.

Rodney C. Welsh, '22, is managing editor of The Octopus, with Hurbert Townsend, '23, as editor. W. H. Ebling, '22, and C. D. Byrne, '22, edit and manage The Country Magazine. G. W. Greene, '22, has been handling the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Press Association members bulletin. Ivan H. Peterman, '22, is covering the campus for The Milwaukee Journal. John G. Baker, '21, is doing graduate work and serving as an instructor in the Course in Journalism.

### MONTANA ANNOUNCES EIGHT NEW INITIATES

The Montana chapter initiated eight men into Sigma Delta Chi this year. The men initiated have shown unusual ability in the field of journalism and are active in the school publications.

The men are as follows: Thomas Wade, sports editor of the Kaimin, student newspaper; A. A. Applegate, instructor in journalism; William Cogswell, news editor of the Kaimin and editor of the Sentinel, year book; Eugene McKinnon, Kaimin staff; Leroy Tillman, Sentinel staff; Earle Duffy, Sentinel staff; Alfred Schak, Kaimin staff; and George Masters, Kaimin staff.

## RECENT NEWS OF THE BREADWINNERS

Walter B. Brown (Missouri, '17), is now city and news editor of the Denison (Texas), Herald.

Lawrence W. Murphy (Wisconsin, '21), is head of the department of journalism at the University of North Dakota.

The engagement of Lawrence W. Murphy (Wisconsin, '21), to Miss Alice Harrington, Madison, Wis., was announced this fall.

Announcements have been received in America of the marriage of Clarence K. Streit (Montana), correspondent in Rome for the Public Ledger, and Mlle. Jeanne Defrance, at the Church of St. Nicolas du Chardonnet, in Paris, Sept. 26. Mr. Streit served in the A. E. F. with the Eighteenth Engineers and the Corps of Intelligence Police, and met Mlle. Defrance at Paris after the armistice was signed. After his return from service, he won a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford, and later joined the Ledger's European staff. Mrs. Streit is the daughter of Mme. I. Defrance, and granddaughter of Monsieur F. Payen, chevalier of the Legion of Honor, and Mme. Payen, 1 Rue de Poissy, Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Streit are at home at the Grand Hotel de la Minerva, Rome.

Ralph O. Nafziger (Wisconsin, '20), has accepted appointment to the position of assistant editor of the North College of Agriculture and Agricultural Experiment station. During the last year Nafziger has been assisting in the publication of agricultural bulletins and news at the University of Wisconsin.

Lester C. Getzloe (Wisconsin, '17), has accepted an assistant professorship in the course in journalism at Ohio State University. Last year Getzloe had charge of the journalism courses at the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college. He has also been connected with the Milwaukee Sentinel and the Wisconsin Rapids Tribune.

G. A. Rose (Purdue, '16), is editor and business manager of the Purdue Alumnus, a monthly magazine published by the General Alumni Association of Purdue University. He is located in Lafayette, and urges that all Sigma Delta Chi men look him up when in that vicinity.

Lloyd Thompson (Montana), is editor of the Butte Daily Bulletin, Butte, Montana.

M. H. Hedges (DePauw, '09), has left

his position as associate editor of the Lake Geneva (Wis.), News, and returned to the Minnesota Daily Star.

Carson F. Lyman (Wisconsin, '21), who has been on the telegraph desk of the Milwaukee Journal, is now associate editor of the Lake Geneva (Wis.), News. Lyman spent some time on the News during 1920.

As night police reporter, Arthur P. Wiesner (Marquette, '21), is making good on the Milwaukee Morning Sentinel.

George A. Dundon (Marquette, '21), is handling the civil court run for the Milwaukee Journal.

Joe Helfert, Hoisington, Kans. (Marquette, '21), and a charter member of the Marquette chapter, has been made Wisconsin manager of the United Press Association with headquarters in Milwaukee. Mr. Helfert was formerly sporting editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel.

Eugene R. Mittinger, Youngstown, Ohio, member of the Marquette chapter, is taking post graduate work at Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

Frank Ferguson (Maine), has left the sports staff of the New York Sun. Word of his present occupation and address would be appreciated.

Laurence Sloan (DePauw), past national president of Sigma Delta Chi, has left the publicity and advertising department of the National City Bank, and is now with the Standard Statistics Corporation, 47 West street, New York. The Standard Statistics Corporation prepares analyses of business conditions which are a standard source of information for leading newspapers. Mr. Sloan is also teaching an advertising class at the American Institute of Banking. His home is in Palisades, N. J.

Howard Weeks (Michigan, '21), has left the editorial staff of the Detroit News to enter the advertising department of Frank & Seder, 1437 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Herbert Garrison (Michigan), who has been with the Detroit Times since leaving the Navy, joined the editorial staff of the Detroit News when the Times was bought by William Randolph Hearst.

Frank P. Goss (Washington honorary), formerly of the faculty of the University of Washington school of journalism, has

left the staff of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, which he represented in Washington, and is now on the Washington staff of the University News Service.

Robert J. Bender (Knox honorary), formerly of the International News Service, is now on the Washington staff of the United Press.

Frank H. Hedges (Missouri), has left Washington, D. C., to go to Japan, where he is on the staff of the Japan Advertiser in Tokyo.

John Gleissner (Kansas), is in Washington, D. C., corresponding for the United Press.

Herbert Beyer and Charles S. Nelson (Ohio State, '21), are on the Columbus Citizen, Columbus, Ohio. Beyer was president of Ohio chapter last year, and delegate to the Oklahoma convention.

Vernon K. Richards (Ohio, '21), is on the Toledo Blade.

Wilbert J. Bach (Ohio, '21), is back in his home town, working on the Sandusky, O., Register.

Frank Mason (Ohio), past national vice-president of Sigma Delta Chi, who has been Berlin correspondent of the International News Service since he completed his military service in the German capital, has been transferred to the Paris office.

Carlton K. Logan (Oregon, '21), is on the staff of the Grants Pass Courier. Logan does everything from hotels to editorials when the editor is away.

Charles Glatke (Oregon, '23), is still city editor of the Oregon City Enterprise, the paper owned by E. E. Brodie, former president of the National Editorial Association and now United States minister to Siam. He was news editor of the Oregon Daily Emerald last year.

Edward B. Smith (Missouri, '22), leaves San Francisco, February 7, for Tokyo, Japan to take a position on the staff of the Japan Advertiser, the largest English newspaper in the Far East. Smith will be the tenth journalist from this University now on the Advertiser.

Harold R. Gross (Missouri, '22), is now assistant city editor of the Albany (Mo.) Capital. Gross left the University at the end of the fall term.

# THE PRESS CONGRESS OF THE WORLD

## PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY ARE HONORARY MEMBERS OF SIGMA DELTA CHI

Sigma Delta Chi took a place second to that of no other organization of any kind in the Press Congress of the World, held in Hawaii, October 10 to November 2, when Dean Walter Williams, honorary member of the Missouri chapter of the fraternity, was re-elected president and James Wright Brown, national honorary member, was made secretary-treasurer. Sigma Delta Chi is thus represented in the two highest offices of the greatest organization of newspapermen and publications on the globe.

The congress, of interest to all newspapermen, was generally considered to have made progress toward the ends it had in view, if it did not attain all of them. In his closing address of November 1, Dean Williams declared it to be a noteworthy success, and that steps toward a higher journalistic plane, permanent universal peace and enlightenment and benefit of mankind had been taken.

"There has been given to the delegates," he said, a "greater knowledge of the situation as it exists in the Pacific and the world, and a keener insight into Pacific problems. Hereafter, we will not have closed eyes and shuttered minds when it comes to the consideration of the great questions in this human laboratory of ours."

Dean Williams summarized the important resolutions passed by the congress, including those urging extension of journalistic communications, lower telegraphic press rates, support of journalistic training, endorsement of the system of United States naval radio news service in the Pacific and recommendation for its continuance, and co-operation with the international press union to be formed in Belgium. These, he declared, will be substantial contributions to the welfare of humanity.

"All of these things," he said, "will set in motion forces which are bound to do more good than we could have hoped. If some supreme being should say today, 'Let there be light,' we might answer that we have journalism. With this as a high ideal to guide us we come to the close of a wonderful session, and the success of the Press Congress of the World will be, I am sure, supported in the future by that splendid spirit of co-operation that is so characteristic of the profession of journalism."

In addition to the accomplishments recounted in Dean Williams' closing speech, the congress founded a subsidiary, the Pan-Pacific Press Congress, and approved the establishment of other similar sectional organizations; made official arrangements for special reports on Korean and Chinese journalism and the extension and improvement of news communication facilities; passed a large number of minor resolutions; and elected officers for the term ending at the next congress, in 1925.

A resolution which at first promised to be the most momentous of the congress, asking for full publicity at all sessions of the Washington conference on limitation of armaments, lost most of its "teeth" after a heated debate at one of the last business sessions. Final action on the resolution amended it to read that full publicity was asked "whenever it was not incompatible with governmental and international policy."

A letter from President Warren G. Harding, honorary president of the congress, read at the opening session, asked that newspapers purge themselves of propaganda. "The function of a newspaper is to open men's minds, to educate, not to close them," it said in part. President Harding closed with a statement of his faith in the press' ability to teach humanity so that peace may come and the armament race cease.

Entertainment of the delegates during their stay in Hawaii was elaborate and extensive. Everything from the refined hula to a trip to the world's largest active volcano, Kilauea, on the island of Hawaii, was furnished the territory's guests. Delegates to the congress were unanimous in praise for the entertainment and in enjoyment of the three weeks in Hawaii.

To the Sigma Delta Chi representative, the congress appeared particularly significant in the fact that the gathering of newspapermen was so truly representative, embracing journalists from India to Norway, and from Greece to Japan; in the work it accomplished toward building up international news communication; in giving the delegates, particularly those from America, a sound basis for investigation and comprehension of the Pacific question; and in establishing a spirit of understanding and co-operation among newspapermen which never existed before.

Dean Williams received unqualified praise for his work in making the congress a success, and was re-elected presi-

dent over his own protest. The congress refused to consider other names.

Members of Sigma Delta Chi in attendance at the congress included, in addition to Dean Williams and Mr. Brown, Prof. Hornaday (Texas), and John R. Morris, (Missouri, '22). Morris, who served most efficiently as executive secretary of the congress, went from Honolulu to Japan to take a reportorial position on the Japan Advertiser, Tokyo. Dean Williams made a speaking tour of Japan and China universities.

Sigma Delta Chi was officially represented by Mitchell Charnley (Washington, '21), who is now a reporter on the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Charnley was appointed by Lee A. White, acting in behalf of the executive council.

### WILL IRWIN MADE AN HONORARY MEMBER OF S. D. X. AT ILLINOIS

Will Irwin, war correspondent, short story writer, Legion of Honor and one of the foremost journalists of the Nation joined his first fraternity at the University of Illinois, November 29, when he became an honorary member of the Illinois chapter of Sigma Delta Chi.

Mr. Irwin accepted the invitation to membership in spite of the fact that he and Herbert Hoover, while undergraduates at Leland Stanford University had pledged themselves never to join a college fraternity. "I think the high ideals of Sigma Delta Chi, what it stands for and has stood for in the promotion of better journalism a reason for me to help it as much as I can, and I know Herb won't hold it against me," Mr. Irwin said.

He was initiated at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the chapter and after a dinner given in his honor by the organization.

The Illinois chapter initiated Ring Lardner several years ago as its only other honorary member.

### BELOIT HAS AN ACTIVE NEWS SERVICE BUREAU

Beloit college news service bureau is under the management of Roderick Grant, '22, president. A card catalog of the student directory with a list of newspapers in the home town of each student is maintained. Activities of students and general college news is handled by members of Sigma Delta Chi. Five thousand words a month are sent out by the bureau.

### "LECTURES FROM THE LABORATORY" FEATURED AT THE MEDILL SCHOOL

George C. Bastian of the Chicago Tribune and Frank Thayer of the Joseph Medill School of Journalism have compiled a new newspaper style folder for students in the Medill School at Northwestern University. Copies will be gladly sent on request to teachers of journalism.

"Lectures from the Laboratory" are features of the Medill School. Newspapermen come in every Thursday for a public lecture or talk at the downtown division of Northwestern University. H. F. Farrington, the director, Robert M. Lee, city editor of the Chicago Tribune, Willard G. Bleyer, chairman of the course in journalism at the University of Wisconsin, and E. W. Parsons, advertising manager of the Chicago Tribune have been on this year. Representatives from the Daily News, the Hearst organization and other publications are scheduled this year. Will Hays is also included in the schedule.

Roscoe E. Brown of the Pulitzer school has written an article, "The Menace to Journalism" which appeared in the North American Review, October, 1921, pages 610-618.

President Warren G. Harding sent an autographed photograph to the Medill School with this message: "To the Joseph Medill School of Journalism with the greetings of one who has done a bit as editor, printer and publisher. Good wishes!"

The Medill School of Journalism has a laboratory on the Northwestern University campus in Evanston, fitted up with typewriters, a horse shoe desk and a time clock.

Arthur Brisbane sent his autographed picture to the Medill School of Journalism, suggesting these mottos from Dante: "Work as Nature works, in fire," and "Give light, and the people will find their own road".

"Newspaper Conscience, a Study in Half-Truths," appeared in the American Journal of Sociology, vol. 27. pp. 197-210, September, 1921.

### CHINA'S PUBLICITY AT CONFERENCE HANDLED BY KWEI OF WISCONSIN

All publicity for China during the Washington Disarmament Conference was handled by Chung Shu Kwei (Wisconsin, '21).

Kwei was asked by the Chinese Students Alliance to head the Chinese editorial department and also to take charge of The China Advocate, an English newspaper being published during the conference to set forth the unofficial views of the Chinese people in the United States.

This publicity campaign is supported by the Chinese students in America for pure-

ly patriotic motives, and the Chinese merchants of this country are also behind it. The work is in no way connected with the Chinese legation in Washington, although the students have pledged themselves to assist and watch the Chinese delegation.

Kwei, in published interviews, said that all he has learned from the university about honest journalism will stand him in good stead and prevent him from falling into "selfish patriotism", and stressed "the necessity for truth in the far eastern situation."

Before coming to America, Kwei was editor of various college publications, both English and Chinese. When the Shantung question was at its height in May, 1919, he edited a Chinese daily paper for the student's movement.

### INSTALLATION OF THE JOSEPH MEDILL SCHOOL TAKES PLACE FEB. 2-3

The installation of the chapter at Medill School of Journalism will take place February 2 and 3. Frank Thayer recently sent out the following invitation to all members of the fraternity:

"Dear Brothers in Sigma Delta Chi:

"Your chapter is invited to attend the installation of the Northwestern chapter February 2 and 3. It is desired that you send a representative to the initiation and banquet; if you cannot send a delegate, perhaps you already have a member of your chapter working in the Chicago vicinity who would be glad to act as your representative.

"Kindly advise me whether you will have a man here so that arrangements can be made for him.

"The program for the installation will be as follows:

"February 2—

Luncheon of the Medill Press Club North Shore hotel, Evanston, at 12 o'clock. Lee A. White, former president of Sigma Delta Chi, and editorial secretary of the Detroit News, will give a talk.

Initiation of the petitioners, the Associated Journalists, into Sigma Delta Chi at the Delta Upsilon house, Evanston, at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. White will give a public lecture in the Medill Lectures from the Laboratory series in the Northwestern University building, Lake and Dearborn streets, Chicago, at 8 o'clock.

February 3—

Joint installation banquet of the Chicago Alumni and Northwestern chapters of Sigma Delta Chi at the City Club, 315 Plymouth Court, Chicago, at 6:30 o'clock.

"Trusting that some member of your

chapter will be present at the installation ceremonies. I am

"Fraternally yours,

(Signed)

"FRANK THAYER"

### PITTSBURGH ALUMNI SHOWING WORTH IN FIELD OF JOURNALISM

Pittsburgh alumni members of Sigma Delta Chi present an almost solid front in the ranks of journalism,—all write or do some sort of publicity work, and four are now actively connected with newspapers. Pittsburgh dailies claim three,—Lytle, '20 and Rowe, '18, are on the Chronicle Telegraph and Max E. Hanum, '20, is on the Press. Edgar Hassler, '20, is editing a paper in Mercer County, Pa.

Of the undergraduates, Maurice H. Goldstein is at present spending his evenings on the Tri-State News Bureau and Francis Ketchum writes sports for the Post. The membership includes the editor of the annual publication of the Junior class; the editor-in-chief of the Panther, humorous monthly; the president of the student senate; the editor-in-chief and the news editor of the "Weekly" and the secretary of the Junior class.

The Pittsburgh chapter is planning to have several luncheons throughout the remainder of the school year at the Hotel Schenley, at which prominent newspaper men will meet the men and discussions of current journalistic problems will take place. Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday afternoons of each month in the office of the Pitt Weekly, Alumni Hall.

### OREGON STATE GIVES LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF ACTOR-JOURNALIST

Ben Scovell, one of the first actor-entertainers to be sent overseas, was entertained recently at a luncheon given by the Oregon State Chapter. He was a war correspondent during the Boer War and has been in charge of the dramatic departments at several large universities in the United States. The Scribes, honorary women's journalistic fraternity were also guests at the luncheon.

Edwin B. Aldrich, editor of the Pendleton (Oregon East Oregonian), was initiated into the Oregon State chapter recently. Aldrich is a graduate of the class of 1900.

Edgar B. Piper, editor of the Oregonian, has been initiated into the Oregon State chapter as an honorary member. Piper is one of the most prominent Oregon editors and is internationally known.

*STUDENT PRESIDENT  
AT NORTH CAROLINA IS  
MEMBER OF S. D. X.*

In spite of the boll weevil and low prices for tobacco and cotton the North Carolina chapter is still in the ring. Due to a general shake-up on the campus at the first of the year, on account of the extensive building program now in progress, it was temporarily deprived of a meeting room in the "Y" building.

The chapter president, G. B. Porter, is president of the student body, which is the highest honor a man can get at the University. Jonathan Daniels is editor of the college semi-weekly, "The Tar Heel". Wade is managing editor, and other members are represented on the reportorial staff.

Robert L. Gray has just been elected to the editorship of the Carolina "Tar Baby", which is acknowledged to be one of the best college humorous publications.

A new system of press correspondence for the University has been adopted recently, and this entire work has been turned over to Sigma Delta Chis, under the supervision of Professor Graves of the department of journalism.

*KANSAS STATE STARTS  
PREPARATIONS FOR NEXT  
S. D. X. CONVENTION THERE*

Prof. C. E. Rogers is gathering material for the sixth of a series of industrial bulletins, published at Kansas State. This series is in the nature of handbooks for extension and rural sociology workers, containing suggestions for the preparation of copy for newspapers. Many extension workers feel the need of the information such booklets give, as most of them have not had training in news writing.

Prof. N. A. Crawford attended the recent convention of the American Association of Teachers of Journalism at Madison, Wis. At the conclusion of the convention he visited for some time in the East where he had several speaking engagements.

Walter Karlowksi (Kansas State '21), was married December 27, in Wichita. Karlowksi was business manager of the Collegian last year. Previous to to December 26 he had been teaching in sapulpa, Okla.

C. R. Smith was elected editor of the Kansas State Collegian at the recent meeting of the Collegian Board. H. G. Bryson was also a candidate for this position.

C. W. Howard is editor of the Senior Class Book, the Royal Purple.

Morse Salisbury is the city editor of a

young but struggling morning paper in Manhattan. The Morning Chronicle is making a host of friends down town, and bids fair to survive in a town where it is inevitable that at least one paper must suspend publication in the near future. The success of the Chronicle is very largely due to the excellent work of Mr. Salisbury, who also finds time to carry his college work.

Kansas State chapter held initiation services for C. W. Pratt, '22, December 20, 1921.

Kansas State chapter is getting started in real active fashion on plans for entertaining the convention here next fall. We have the ambition and firm intention of giving the convention a real treat. From what our delegate to the Ames convention tells us, that will be a pretty hard job, but we are still game to try it.

*GRINNELL CHAPTER IS  
HOST TO HIGH SCHOOL  
PRESS ASSOCIATION*

On October 28-29 the Grinnell chapter of Sigma Delta Chi was host to 134 delegates to the second annual convention of the Iowa High School Press Association, representing twenty-eight different high schools of the state. The chapter conceived the idea of sponsoring a high school press association last spring, and in April, ninety delegates from twenty-five schools came to Grinnell and formed the association. The increase in the number of delegates and schools represented at the second convention argues well for the future of the association. Conventions are to be held at Grinnell in the fall of each year.

The Malteser, chapter humorous publication, is now starting the third year of its existence. A more or less successful attempt has been made this year to put the magazine on a very high plane as humorous publications go. Most of the credit for the success of this effort should go to the editor, Harold Swanson. Recent developments have necessitated a change in the management, and at present the Malteser is without a business manager. The business end is now being handled by the board of publications, consisting of three members of the chapter who are responsible to the college faculty, preparatory to the election of a new business manager.

Sir Philip Gibbs, noted English journalist, lectured at Grinnell on January 30, and the Grinnell chapter extended him an invitation to be present at a smoker in his honor on that date.

Five new names have been added to the chapter roll this year. They are:

Charles E. Lynde, manager of Successful Farming, Des Moines; Joseph G. Walleiser, professor of English in Grinnell College and editor of Verse and Fiction; Gardner Cowles, publisher of the Des Moines Register; Harry S. Flynn, business manager of the Scarlet and Black, college newspaper; and Hervey L. McCowan.

*KNOX HOLDS ITS FIRST  
PUBLIC RECOGNITION DAY  
EXERCISES; SIX PLEDGED*

Knox chapter held its first public Recognition Day exercises on December 15. Six men were pledged to membership. Dr. W. E. Simonds, dean of the college and a member of Sigma Delta Chi, reviewed the part of former Knox college students in American journalism.

Most prominent among Knox's famous journalists as named by Dean Simonds were Eugene Field and George Fitch, both deceased, and Don Marquis of the New York Sun. Others were S. S. McClure and John S. Philips, founders of McClure's magazine. Albert Britt and Thomas Blodgett were mentioned for their work on Outing and kindred publications. John H. Finley, a graduate and former president of Knox, for the last year has been an associate editor of the New York Times. Kenneth Andrews, a young graduate, was editor of the Spanish edition of World's Work and is now dramatic critic of The Bookman. Robert Bender, another of the younger graduates, is head of the Washington bureau of the United Press.

Ernest Elmo Calkins and Eugene Weeks are prominent in the advertising end of journalism. Francis H. Sission, one time editor of a local paper, is now a vice-president of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. Charles C. Gettemy, agent of the Boston Federal Reserve Bank, has been connected with leading Boston papers. Ellen Browning Scripps, head of the Scripps-McRae papers was first on the list of women graduates who have made their mark in journalism.

Dean Simonds also gave a list of former students who are editors, reporters, journalism instructors and advertisers of local or minor importance.

Juniors who received the quill on that day are: Emmett F. Butler, Dallas City; B. Dale Fisher and Craig R. Johnson, Galesburg; C. Kenneth Lawyer, Macomb; Francis E. Marsh, Bowen; and Harry Timmerwille, Quincy. A chapter luncheon in honor of the pledges followed the exercises.

*TO CORRECT MAILING LIST*

Chapter secretaries please send in correct addresses of all active and alumni members at once.

# NEWS FAKING---A CONFESSION

BY ALBERT CHANDLER

It is foolish for a reporter to fake news; with a stipulated salary there is no possible profit in it, and he knows that he risks his position. Yet in the eager days of youth, he is so brim full of love for features on the pages that he will do those things which he ought not to do, when the times are dull.

This is a confession.

There are two kinds of faking. To distort news, intentionally to give a false color, is contemptible; it is also slovenly, and an imposition on the public. It is dangerous, for there are always a lot of people who know the truth. But to make news out of whole cloth, pure fiction, hurts nobody but the man who assumes the risk. That innocent faking is the sort that almost every old writer can recall as among the occasional follies of his salad days.

The following are examples:

Some twenty years ago a reporter came to St. Louis from New Orleans looking for a job. He was rather shabby, and failed to get on. The boys on one of the staffs bought him a suit of clothes and got him transportation to Chicago. And about the old suit that he left in St. Louis the fake developed. It had been good, and was made by an expensive tailor in Dallas. Now the secret of success in any fake is planting it so carefully that the other papers, who are scooped, will detect no omission to run down. All the formal red tape of reality must be employed. This fake began with the night policeman on duty on the Eads bridge; he was attached to the Carr Street police station, from which the last night reports to headquarters were sent in at 1 a. m. At police headquarters reporters gather from all papers, on dog watch until 3:30 a. m., but district police stations were not covered after midnight except as a man might happen to drop in while out late on some other assignment. At two o'clock one morning the bridge officer came to the Carr street station with a coat made by a Dallas tailor in which the name of the owner had been cut from the label; he reported a man having thrown off this coat and jumped from the bridge, come up and floundered upon the glimmering waters 100 feet below, and then sunk. Nice suicide story, \$10 a column to Dallas also. The bridge officer had made a desperate and heroic effort to prevent the leap from the rail, and named three witnesses from the East St. Louis stockyards who were crossing late, and heard the suicide shout, "Goodbye, officer, goodbye, world." And these three men stood for the story too. The afternoon

papers copied it, for the police report came down to headquarters in regular course at 9 a. m. The Harbor Commissioner had the river dragged, which made a little second day story. It did not hurt the public, and it did not hurt the newspaper that had the scoop, and it certainly did not hurt the mysterious man from Dallas.

About that time two reporters for the Globe-Democrat and the old Republic, good friends, found one night that there was nothing at all to report from the Union Station and old City Hospital run. One of them had a book about the Kurd atrocities in Armenia. So they went back in the ticket office of the Station and got an atlas and found the name of a little town in the devastated area. They were not trying to scoop anybody; they just wanted something for the front page. Obviously they must have somebody in St. Louis for it to be St. Louis news, and they must get that somebody out of St. Louis to prevent its becoming a St. Louis exposure of themselves. The matron at the Station was a good old soul who liked to see her name in print; that was a cornerstone to build on. And next day the stories, one substantially corroborating the other except in a few minor details that were properly varied, appeared on the front pages of the two papers. The Armenian names were taken from the book, but using given names and family names in new arrangements. And the story was that at this little town in Armenia a father and mother separated, to flee by different routes. The father was killed, and the two boys with him had not been heard of. But the mother reached Smyrna, and leaving a sick child with a missionary there, had come to this country with a baby and was doing needlework in Sedalia. Having saved enough money to send for the other child, it had come through with a label on it, arriving at Union Station at 7:15 p. m. there to meet the mother who had come in from Sedalia and was waiting in the matron's care. They left on the 10:10 Missouri Pacific train for Sedalia with a present from the said matron—which, incidentally, got them off the train before daylight so that they could disappear. (Of course, that chronological order is not the way the newspaper story was written). It did the public no harm, nor the newspapers, and it certainly did not hurt the mysterious Armenians.

You cannot keep a good boy down, whether in a newspaper or in college. He will have his lark.

Sometimes a fake may be on the dan-

gerous borderline between the two classes mentioned at the start. Such a one, innocent enough, was created also at Union Station. Paderewski was in town, living on his private car as usual, switched in among the Pullmans that are being cleaned up. A reporter was sent on a fool's errand to interview him, though everybody knew he gave no interviews in those days. Whether the editor was inviting a fake nobody knows; anyway, he sent the reporter who had created both those confessed above, and others,—and though a reasonably prudent man will never tell his own mates about these things, somehow he does acquire an uncertain reputation. The reporter assumed that a good story was wanted, and also that he was being watched and would be disciplined if he left an opening. So he went down through the trains and tracks, looked the ground over, saw the private car, saw a piano in one end of it, saw Paderewski smoking long cigarettes and drinking coffee, saw Mrs. Paderewski undress without pulling down the window shade, and was too polite to send in his card. He went back to his room. Schopenhauer said the German students do not think, but only smoke. The reporter did both. Wanted, a top-head story for the first page. It appeared—"Paderewski Music Heard in the Dark Train Yards." The car repairers were there, and the charwomen from the Pullman cars made the bulk of the audience. And all the little details that had been closely observed were worked in toward the bottom of three quarters of a column. It might have been true. Paderewski's press agent would never deny it. And nobody was hurt.

It was very satisfactory to come down to the office and find on the assignment book after your name just the one word "Skirmish"; to know that all the city was open to you; that your time was your own; that you could keep that word on the book for your assignment day after day while you continued to turn in a good quota of real stuff absolutely accurate from other than the beaten tracks, and get more than your share on the front page with no come-backs. But when we are old we put away childish things.

For when a man is older—and he ages rapidly in a local room—he has lost interest; he has become accurate by habit; he has found all murders to fall into about seven groups, suicides into about five, elopements into about four, and as the new story comes to his desk he mentally cata-

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# MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SIGMA DELTA CHI

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that is sent in by a member of any chapter activities, and five points for a leading article secured by the magazine. Only material actually published will actually be counted. The University of Missouri is debarred from the contest inasmuch as members of the chapter are actively engaged as editors of the Quill. Three prizes will be awarded by the executive council at the next national convention to the three chapters securing the highest number of points during the ensuing year of publication. These prizes will be either in cash or in awards of suitable nature in the discretion of the executive council. Alumni and active chapters will compete on an equal basis.

## 3. Advertising plans:

Rates for display advertising shall be for the present, fifty dollars (\$50) a page, with ten per cent (10%) discount for a year's contract. This rate may be changed by the editors at their discretion. Further attempts should be made to secure advertising from those concerns now using space in alumni, fraternity and editorial trade publications.

We believe it would be possible to establish a want ad department in the Quill, including help wanted, and the sale of newspaper properties. This department would be of value to members seeking positions, or seeking to secure men for positions. It would also be a good clearing house for the sale of country newspapers to ambitious members of the fraternity. It could be made a source of considerable revenue for the Quill.

## 4. Circulation plans:

Realizing the value of a magazine depends entirely upon the extent to which it is read, we urge every secretary of active and alumni chapters to send a revised list of both active and alumni members to the editors of the Quill within the next few weeks. We would suggest that chapter secretaries get in touch with alumni secretaries of their several universities and colleges and with the corresponding secretaries of the men's social fraternities on the campus for securing up-to-date lists of chapter alumni.

The editors of the Quill shall then send out, under first class postage, a letter with stamped return card to the entire mailing list of the Quill, in order to get further corrections. Men who cannot be located should then be listed, if possible, in an issue of the Quill, with the request for information from any source.

Upon the motion of Case of Michigan the report was adopted. President White urged upon the delegates the importance of accurate lists of addresses of members and alumni.

The minutes of the Sixth Annual Convention of Sigma Delta Chi, held at the University of Oklahoma, were accepted.

## Professional Ethics.

The following report of the committee on professional ethics was presented by Buchanan and passed:

This committee after discussing the question of ethics at different periods during the convention, and after calling for the advice of alumni members better fitted to point the way for Sigma Delta Chi, desires to make the following report:

We recommend: First, the permanent appointment of the present committee; the appointment to be effective until a final report has been made at the next convention. Second, co-operation of this committee with an alumni committee of three, authorized at the last convention and to become effective this year.

A. The purpose of this committee to be two-fold. 1. It shall by correspondence, with such men as Walter Williams, Bristow Adams, Lee White and others, collect information for the formation of a code of ethics for Sigma Delta Chi to be drawn up in conjunction with that formulated by the afore-mentioned alumni committee. 2. It shall by means aside from the ritual and the Quill, although by the use of the latter to some extent, undertake the education of the younger members of the fraternity in questions of ethics.

Lastly we recommend that V. E. Blackledge of Kansas State be appointed chairman of the committee.

The committee asks the acceptance of this report in view of the gigantic nature of any study of the question of ethics and the realization that our work in the three days of the convention could not do more than simply outline a method of attack.

## Ritual.

The report of the ritual committee was presented by Roderick of Oklahoma. It called for a resubmission of the draft of the new ritual to the committee which wrote it for revision. President White read part of the draft of the new ritual. The discussion disclosed several objections to the draft, among them the following: that the two speeches which it embodies are too long, that more action on the parts of the initiates is desirable, that responses on the part of the brothers is desirable, and that the draft could easily be revised as a pledging ceremony.

Hantschel of Marquette moved that the proposed ritual be revised as a pledging ceremony and that the present ritual be retained as the basis of a revised draft to be made by the original committee. The motion was passed.

## National Officers:

Fleming next presented the report of the nominations committee which read as follows:

Suggestions for nominees were obtained from alumni present at the convention, from chapter delegates, and from similar sources both by letter and by word of mouth. Each name was presented only after due examination by the committee as to the obviously necessary qualifications for nominees.

## Honorary National President

Prof. F. W. Beckman, head of Iowa State School of Journalism, and an honorary member of the Iowa State chapter.

## National President:

One man's name came at once before the committee as the nominee for this office; by word of mouth, by letter, and by spirit, the chapter delegates, alumni, and others in Sigma Delta Chi suggested Lee A. White for re-election. Though asked by this unanimous acclaim, President White believed, with the best interests of the fraternity at heart, it was wiser for him to refuse this honor. He felt it better for the fraternity to select new men each year for this office, as indicative of the fraternity's strength in such men. Further, he believed that after twelve years in the councils of the fraternity, some rest should be given him. The name of Lee A. White was withdrawn with real regret.

For president, then, it seemed essential and vital to the committee that the name of one who has also, at great personal sacrifice, served the fraternity for many years; that man is Kenneth C. Hogate, retiring national secretary.

## Past National President:

Lee A. White

## First Vice-President

H. H. Herbert

## Second Vice-President:

N. J. Radder

## National Secretary:

T. Harley Tapping

## National Treasurer:

Ward A. Neff

## Executive Council Members: (Four to be chosen)

Russell Lord—Cornell

Lyman Thompson—Knox

Donald Clark—Grinnell, Columbia.

Joe McMullen—Reserve, Columbia.

Gilbert M. Clayton—Kansas U.

Stacy V. Jones—Kansas U.

Geriod T. Robinson—Stanford

The honorary president, national president, past national president, first vice-president, second vice-president, national secretary and national treasurer were unanimously elected as recommended in the report. The first ballot on national councilors resulted as follows:

Total ballots cast .....	38	McMullen .....	22
Total possible vote .....	152	Clayton .....	19
Total votes cast .....	149	Lord .....	19
Clark .....	30	Robinson .....	19
Jones .....	26	Thompson .....	14

Clark, Jones and McMullen were declared elected and a second ballot taken on Clayton, Lord, Robinson and Thompson. It resulted as follows:

Robinson .....	9	Thompson .....	7
Clayton .....	12	Lord .....	8

Clayton was declared elected as the fourth national councilor.

#### Audit and Finance.

The report of the committee on audit and finance was read by H. R. Cox of Texas:

1.

The committee on audit and finance reports that it has examined the financial report of the Quill and finds it satisfactory.

The statement, together with cancelled checks, is attached.

2.

The committee recommends that the National Secretary be allowed five dollars (\$5) a week for stenographic work during the time as this help is needed.

3.

A. The committee recommends to the chapters that initiation fees be limited to a maximum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) and that they be made as low as possible.

It further recommends that funds for the local chapters preferably be raised by business ventures in some way connected with journalism, the exact nature of the ventures depending upon local conditions. Methods suggested and recommended as having been used with success by chapters are humorous magazines, special publications or editions of college publications, lectures and wire reports of athletic contests. All of these have been tried with varying degrees of success or failure in several chapters. Banquets, unless they are intimately connected with journalism, or dances are not so commendable as are ventures more closely associated with the aims of the fraternity. Gridiron banquets, in the majority of cases reported, seem to be good advertising mediums, but not dependable finance raisers.

It further recommends that special assessments be avoided and that dues be kept as low as practicable.

B. The committee recommends that chapter treasurers be required to keep accurate and complete records of funds received and disbursed; that only responsible officers be permitted to contract debts, subject to the approval of the chapter; that chapter treasurers be required to hand over to their successors all funds in hand, together with a record of receipts and expenditures during the year, sometime before Commencement Day.

#### Financial Report of the Quill.

Submitted to Sigma Delta Chi in annual convention

Receipts		Expenditures	
Checks to Quill fund received as follows:		Printing folders .....	\$ 12.00
June 13, 1921 .....	\$500.00	Stamps .....	1.00
June 27 .....	78.00	Printing Quill .....	100.00
July 8 .....	27.00	Postal deposit .....	10.00
Sept. 24 .....	60.00	Printing Quill .....	105.15
Nov. 2 .....	177.00	Engraving .....	26.09
Nov. 30 .....	42.00	Stamps .....	1.00
		Stamps .....	1.00
Total Receipts .....	\$884.00	Printing costs .....	12.00
		Printing Quill .....	197.50
		Total Expenditures .....	\$465.74
		Dec. 1, Balance on hand .....	\$418.26

The report was considered by sections and each section was passed as read. Upon motion of Roderick the report was accepted as a whole.

The convention adjourned for the luncheon given by

the institutional cooking department of the Home Economics Division.

The convention was called to order at 2 o'clock. The report of the expansion committee was read by McInnes of Wisconsin.

The discussion of this report was interrupted to hear a representative of the Harvey Ingham club of Drake University who presented the case of his club which petitioned for a chapter of Sigma Delta Chi.

#### Expansion.

The expansion report was taken up by sections. Section one regarding the petition of Georgia was accepted.

A motion to lay the petition of Washington State College on the table until the next convention was passed.

Section three of the report regarding the petitioning of the Harvey Ingham club of Drake was overridden.

The report, subject to the above action was accepted. As presented the report read as follows:

To the committee on expansion was turned over material relating to 19 petitioning organizations. Of these, only four were deemed by the executive council worthy of future consideration. Two of this four, those concerning North Dakota and Northwestern, were immediately taken to the floor of the convention and there disposed of favorably. The remaining two, the first presented by Washington State College, and the second by Georgia required action of the committee.

The petition of Georgia was declined upon consideration of its weak and faulty presentation. Only material set forth in a brief telegram was available. In reference to the petition in the matter of State College of Washington, the committee makes the following statement:

The Executive committee shall await additional information for further deliberation.

After a careful sifting of the rather muddled facts of the case, a sincere consideration of the history of the matter, and a conscientious attempt to entangle the technical points, the committee found itself facing a problem that it felt entirely too large to settle within itself, with any degree of finality.

It therefore reports to you that it, the committee, stands in favor of the granting of a charter to the State College of Washington but asks that the executive committee refer it immediately to the floor of the convention, suggesting a rigidly limited debate on the discussion it may open.

It further suggests that in case the petition is received favorably and a charter granted, that the chapter at State College of Washington be restricted in the election of honorary associate members only to those men who are engaged in journalism in which it specializes, agricultural and industrial journalism.

The committee was presented with a petition from the Harvey Ingham Press Club of Drake University. It has considered carefully the qualifications of this body and feels that within it there is much good material and that within the bounds of the institution it represents, there is considerable advantage offered for the establishment of a chapter of Sigma Delta Chi.

It is, however, of the opinion that in view of the short notice on which the petition was presented that the matter be referred to the executive committee. It suggests that at this time if members of the executive committee deem it advisable that the convention listen to the representatives of the Harvey Ingham Press Club who are here to present the cause of their group.

#### Constitution.

Case of Michigan next presented the report of the constitution committee. The report, which was taken up and passed by sections, was as follows:

The committee on Constitution recommends that the following changes be made in the present constitution.  
ARTICLE TWO . . . . Section 2, shall be inserted to read as follows:

The pledge emblem shall be a silver quill, three-eighths of an inch in length, dipped in black enamel.

## ARTICLE THREE . . . . . Section 1.

The motto of the fraternity shall be: He Serves Best Who Serves the Truth.

The watchword of the fraternity shall be: Talent, Energy, and Truth.

## ARTICLE FOUR . . . . . Section 2, to read:

No person proposed for membership shall be elected to the fraternity, against whom more than one negative vote has been cast.

Section 6, to read:

There shall be four classes of membership, namely, Active, Alumni, Associate and Honorary.

(a) Active memberships are defined in ARTICLE FOUR, Sections one, two, three, and four.

(b) Alumni members shall consist of those who have left college but have previously been active members of the chapter.

(c) Associate members may be elected from the profession of journalism by either chapters or the Executive Council.

(d) Honorary members shall be men of high distinction in journalism elected only by the National Convention, but may be nominated by chapters, delegates, or the Executive Council; a unanimous vote shall be required for their elections.

(e) National honorary members elected prior to December 10, 1921 shall be reclassified as honorary members in Sigma Delta Chi; honorary members elected by any chapter prior to that date shall be reclassified as associate members.

Amendment to (c)—An associate member may be assigned to a chapter with the unanimous consent of that chapter.

## ARTICLE FOUR . . . . . Section 7, to read:

Associate memberships shall be promptly reported to the National Secretary by chapters granting them. This report to be made on the regular registration form and shall be duly entered in the Chapter Roll.

## ARTICLE SIX . . . . . Section 3, to read:

In case two chapter-cast negative votes are cast against a petition, it shall be laid on the table for thirty days while an inquiry is made as to the cause, following which a new vote may be taken. If upon a second ballot there is an affirmative vote of three-quarters of the chapters, the charter shall be granted.

(a) Any group or organization may be granted a charter of Sigma Delta Chi, by a three-fourths vote of those present at a regular annual convention.

## ARTICLE ELEVEN . . . . . Section 8, to read:

Delegates of chapters voted in but not installed are entitled to a seat at a convention, and may enter into full discussion, but they are entitled to no vote.

Note—Article Eleven, Section 8, is an insert. The present Section 8 is advanced to Section 9, etc.

Mullen moved that the report be accepted as a whole and the executive council be empowered to make changes necessary to eradicate conflicts and to provide that representatives of newly elected chapters may sit with the convention but may not vote. The motion was passed.

## Resolutions.

Tamminga of Denver read the report of the resolutions committee. A number of suggestions for revision were made from the floor and the report was accepted upon the motion of Hutchinson of Indiana with the suggested revisions incorporated. The revised report follows:

WE, the Sigma Delta Chi Fraternity, being assembled for its seventh annual convention at Ames, Iowa, December 8, 9, and 10, 1921, regarding conditions surrounding and business relating to the said convention, do hereby resolve:

1. That we express our deepest and most sincere appreciation and realization of the manner in which the national officers have attended to their duties in the past year; to Lee A. White, for his ceaseless energy and expending of his ability in the interests of this fraternity, in particular for the efficient and able manner in which he has dispatched his many duties as President, from which position he is now retiring; to the Vice-President, to the Secretary, to the Treasurer, and to the remaining members of the executive council for their splendid attention to the arduous routine in connection with the character of the offices which they occupy.

2. That, we proffer our most sincere thanks to the organizations which have so earnestly and prodigiously partaken in the work of making this convention the success that it is; to the local Iowa state chapter of the fraternity, which has so fully given of its all both in energy and expense in order that the delegates be entertained royally and well; to Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalistic sorority for its eminent participation and reception; to the Chamber of Commerce of Ames for the part this civic association has played as host; to the fraternities at Ames which have so cordially extended lodging facilities to the visiting delegates; to Professor Fuller of the Engineering Department and to Iowa State College administration for the courtesy they have extended in allowing the convention to meet in one of their rooms which they could hardly afford to be without; and finally to the members of this fraternity and friends elsewhere who have sent their hearty greetings to the convention by letter and wire.

3. That we grieve at the death of our Brother Tom C. Stone of Iowa State Chapter, and tender our heartfelt expression of condolence to be carried to the sorely-touched family and relatives of the deceased.

4. That we humbly express to Clarence W. Barron, honorary member of the fraternity, our genuine indebtedness to him for the honor which he accorded us by addressing our convention, and particularly for the splendid message which he brought to us, to inspire us always to find the truth and to think clearly, in order that our profession shall be elevated.

5. That we congratulate our National President, formerly National Secretary, Kenneth C. Hogate and wife upon the birth of a daughter in the family, and show our utmost appreciation to him of the splendid effort he has expended in behalf of Sigma Delta Chi during his term of office in the secretarial capacity just completed.

6. That we extend our sympathy to Professor Frank L. Martin of the University of Missouri, editor of the QUILL, in his continued ill health, venturing the hope for a quick and complete recovery in order that he may apply himself wholeheartedly to his difficult task.

7. That we thank Dean Walter Williams, president of The Press Congress of the World, in convention assembled at Hawaii October 10 to November 3, 1921, for the reception accorded to our delegate to the Congress, Mitchell Charnley, of Washington State chapter, and for the fine courtesy continually extended by the Congress in general.

8. That we owe thanks, and do extend the same to L. G. Balfour Company, official fraternity jewelers, for the handsome souvenir badges, with which we were presented with their compliments.

9. That we express our approval and appreciation of the manner in which some of the various members of the fraternity have supported our national conventions, thereby manifesting their sincerity and faith in the aims and objects of the fraternity; that we owe thanks, especially to T. Hawley Tapping, National Secretary, State Editor of the Grand Rapids Press and to Ward Neff of the Corn Belt Dailies for their unswerving devotion in this respect.

10. That we deplore most earnestly the attitude of the Colorado State chapter at Boulder, Colorado, in the very meager connection with the national organization, in not recognizing nor replying to repeated communications by letter and telegram, and we express hope that this situation shall immediately change for the better.

11. That we desire to thank Cornell, Northwestern, and Minnesota chapters for the courtesy they have extended to the convention by offering their chapter locations as places from which to select the seat of the convention in 1922, in particular to Kansas State we owe gratitude for the continued invitation from that chapter to make its university the place of convention; and lastly, we want to congratulate her on her success in securing that distinction after many attempts.

12. That to the individual, modestly anonymous, who has offered a trophy for the ensuing year to the chapter which manifests the keenest activity, we owe grateful thanks.

13. That we extend greetings to the American Association of Teachers of Journalism, in convention assembled at Madison, Wisconsin, expressing our eager desire to be of service in any capacity, inasmuch as the aspirations of the associations are identical with the respect to the advancement of the profession and the promotion of the teaching of journalism.

14. That we extend deep gratitude to Messrs. Prof. Beckman, Clari Converse, Frank Thayer, and others who have contributed with their presence and efforts to this significant convention.

15. That we would be amiss in our courtesy if we did not proffer thanks to the Des Moines alumni, who so graciously entertained our incoming delegates at Des Moines with a banquet.

16. That we make special mention, and tender thanks to Frank Parker Stockbridge, who has offered a prize of \$100 to the member of the fraternity who best expresses the ideals of the organization in a written paper during the year.

17. That we express sympathy to the relatives of Brother John M. Van Houten, who has passed from us into the beyond.

18. And LASTLY, That We hereby finally thank everyone and all for what they have done in any manner towards participating in this convention.

A wire from the Virginia chapter expressing regret for its inability to be represented at the convention was read by President White. It was moved by Blackledge of Kansas State that a resolution expressing appreciation of the spirit of the Virginia chapter in wiring the convention its regrets be framed. The motion carried.

Roberts of Oregon State spoke briefly in behalf of the selection of Oregon State as the meeting place of the convention in 1925. Brother Brown of Northwestern asked that the 1923 convention be held at Northwestern.

As the final act of the convention a unanimous rising vote of thanks to President White for his work as national president was taken.

The convention adjourned at 5 o'clock.

### NEWS FAKING—USE OF IMAGINATION DANGEROUS (Continued from page 15)

logs it, measures its news value; and that is about all. But he realizes that if all the boys on his staff were as lukewarm, his pages would be as flat as a market report. The newspaper needs youth. He would rather that the boys did not indulge in news larks, but he needs about him the eager enthusiasm that will break out that way in spite of him. The world arouses the curiosity of a youth, upon whom impressions are fresh and interesting. So the editor has a sympathetic tenderness for the boldness he cannot afford to stifle, even after he has lost his curiosity, and his sense of novelty is gone.

### CO-EDS AT OREGON GIVE SIGMA DELTA CHI A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT

A unique dinner party was enjoyed by the members of the University of Oregon chapter of Sigma Delta Chi late in the fall. Alpha Phi gave a dinner for the scribes which is unsurpassed in the history of the chapter.

The affair grew out of an item which appeared in the "Fizz Bang", a two-page newspaper with scandalous make-up and humorous news which was sold at the annual Y. M.-Y. W. mix late in October. Among the "locals" was a paragraph which stated that as nothing mean had been said about the Alpha Phi girls in the publication it was rumored that the girls were going to entertain the Sigma Delta Chis at a dinner party in the near future.

A few weeks later each member received a formal looking invitation for dinner. Not to be outdone, the men utilized the resources of the University press and some rare hand-set acceptances were mailed back. On the appointed night the journalists congregated and stormed the Alpha Phi house. Ash cans were on the front

porch, cans and kettles strewn over the walks and the air of a deserted mansion prevailed.

On ringing the bell the door was cautiously opened and the callers let enter into the darkened room and shown into an ante-room where they were held in captivity until all had arrived and the party was ready to go. Then they were called forth by their escorts and led into the living room, which was rarely decorated with myriad signs and lighted by candles stuck in bottles. Small tables were scattered about in cabaret fashion and newspapers in place of tablecloths heightened the general effect.

Dinner was brought on by dark clad waitresses over whose faces improvised gas masks were drawn. Each course was complete save for table utensils and after a short deliberation the guests decided that fingers were not only made before forks but about the only thing available so the meal was eaten in pre-Elizabethan style. Between courses singers and dancers entertained with rare ability while a troop of brownies darted about and removed the dishes.

As soon as the meal was over the tables were cleared away and for an hour hilarious dancing was in order. When the time came for departure every man in the party heartily declared that it had been the most enjoyable affair of his college career and the Alpha Phis were given a cheer for their unsurpassed hospitality and good sportsmanship.

A very active part was taken by Sigma Delta Chi in the Fourth Annual Newspaper Conference held at the University of Oregon school of journalism, January 13-14, which was attended by seventy-five newspaper men of the state.

The Oregon chapter took over many of the details of entertainment, including a large share of the preparations for the banquet, which was given jointly by the Eugene chamber of commerce and Sigma Delta Chi. "Gibes and Scribes," a miniature newspaper used for place cards, was written and edited by John Dierdorff.

At the noon luncheon on the second day

of the conference speakers included Raymond Lawrence, president of the chapter, and Floyd Maxwell, editor of the Oregon Daily Emerald. Leith Abbott had active charge of arrangements for meeting trains and providing automobiles to transport the visitors.

The Oregon newspaper conference was started by the school of journalism and is each year becoming a more popular feature of the newspaper year. It is closely allied with the State Editorial Association and the two co-operate very well.

Fifty dollars toward sending a delegate to the national convention was raised by the University of Oregon chapter of Sigma Delta Chi by publishing the pink scandal sheet, "Fizz Bang," at the time of the annual Y. M.-Y. W. mix in October.

The sheet was made up in typical "yellow" style and presented a regular newspaper form. Glaring headlines called the reader's attention to faculty shortcomings, students folly and other interesting topics. One thousand copies were sold on the floor in less than five minutes and an extra run of 250 was necessitated to supply the demand. The price was 5 cents a copy and as there was enough advertising in it to practically pay for printing a neat profit was left.

The stories were all cleverly written and even the most prominently featured characters could not but laugh at the way they were "exposed" in its columns.

The chapter raised \$25 more by arranging for telegraphic returns on the University of Oregon-University of California football game and also cleared a small sum on a similar enterprise for the Oregon-Washington State College game.

University of Oregon news in the Portland papers is handled almost exclusively by Sigma Delta Chi men. Raymond Lawrence, '22, handles general news for the Morning Oregonian and Floyd Maxwell, '23, covers sports for the same paper. John Dierdorff, '22, covers both general and sports for the Portland Telegram. Fred Guyon does part time reporting on the Eugene Morning Register.

### IOWA MAKES EXTENSIVE PLANS FOR HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISTS MEETING

University of Iowa chapter of Sigma Delta Chi is now making extensive preparations for holding a state convention of high school journalists at Iowa City early this spring. Invitations will be extended to the leading high school journalists of the state. The date has not yet been definitely fixed.

Among the members of the Iowa chapter who are at present active in student publications on the University campus are: Cloyce K. Huston of Crawfordsville, Ia., editor-in-chief of *The Daily Iowan*; George H. Gallup of Jefferson, Ia., managing editor of *The Daily Iowan*; Harold Andrews of Des Moines, editor of *Frivol*, University humorous magazine; Bruce Gould of Des Moines, associate editor of the same publication; Ray Peterson of Council Bluffs, editor-in-chief of the *Hawkeye*, University year book.

Other chapter members who are engaged in various activities about the campus are: Ralph G. Grassfield (Iowa, '16), director of the Iowa Memorial Union, and Fred Steiner of Corrydon, manager of the annual law jubilee.

Graduate members of the Iowa chapter who are at present engaged in journalistic work are: Ralph Overholser of the class of 1920, editor of the *Red Oak* (Iowa), *Express* and *Hamilton Johnson*, Maurice E. Van Meter, copy readers on the *Kansas City Journal*.

University of Iowa chapter of Sigma Delta Chi on January 22, initiated the following four men: Ulysses S. Vance of Laurens, Ia., night editor of *The Daily Iowan*; George H. Seigle of Muscatine, sports editor of *The Daily Iowan*; Fred M. Lazell of Cedar Rapids, reporter for *The Daily Iowan*; and T. Clair Kelly of Mason City, correspondent for the *Des Moines Register*.

One-act plays by Harold Andrews and George L. Stout will be produced at the University in the near future by the University Players.

### MISSOURI'S PLANS FOR FIRST GRIDIRON BANQUET MEET WITH APPROVAL

The Missouri chapter is at present busy preparing for the inception of its annual Gridiron Banquet. This commendable occasion has never been attempted here before, but the present members are enthusiastic and confident of its unqualified success. It will be held some time in March.

Lyle Wilson and Arch Rodgers have written the play to be called the "Ninth Deacon", which will be presented by the

School of Journalism next month. It is to be a musical comedy, and special music has been written for the choruses. This is the third annual musical comedy given by the School of Journalism, and has become one of the largest feature events of the year.

Irvin S. Cobb will speak here in March, and the chapter has arranged a banquet and smoker in his honor.

Dean Walter Williams, of the School of Journalism, who is President of the Press Congress of the World has returned from a vacation of three months, during which time he visited Japan and China.

The local Sigma Delta Chi chapter held a smoker for Will Irwin, famous correspondent, who recently visited Columbia and spoke on "The Next War".

Plans are being completed for a Gridiron Banquet to be given soon. The business men of Columbia and the faculty of the University will all be invited, and plans are being made for more than 200 guests. It is planned to make this an annual affair.

### ORGANIZATION OF A NEW YORK ALUMNI CHAPTER PROPOSED BY COLUMBIA

Plans for the organization of an alumni chapter in New York are now being made by the Columbia chapter. One of the last acts of President Curry before resigning from the office was to appoint a committee to meet with the officers of the Executive Council who are in New York, and if possible to draw up definite plans for the institution of the chapter during the month of February. The committee was composed of Edward P. O'Donnell, chairman, Joseph L. Jones and Emanuel Goodman.

Joseph McMullen, member of the Executive Council, is very enthusiastic over the proposition, and has made arrangements for a meeting with council members Gilbert M. Clayton and Stacey Jones. At this meeting, which the undergraduate committee will attend, it is expected that arrangements will be made to institute the chapter on the same night that the new members are initiated into the undergraduate body.

It is expected that not less than twenty new members will be taken in at that time, and the Columbia chapter is looking to one of the biggest nights in the history of the fraternity. A number of the bright lights of the newspaper profession will be on the speakers' list, among them several of the foreign correspondents who have recently returned from Europe.

The committee in charge would appreciate having any fraternity member send the names of other members whom he

knows are in the city to Dwight L. Moody, School of Journalism, Columbia.

The resignation of Pres. Robert A. Curry of the Columbia chapter necessitated a new election of officers in the New York school. Curry takes his degree from the School of Journalism in February and will leave the institution. It seems needless to say that the chapter regrets the departure of such a fine character and ardent worker as "Bob". He represented the chapter at the Oklahoma convention last year and made many friends among the delegates.

Edward P. O'Donnell has been secretary of the chapter since the beginning of the year and was elected delegate to the Iowa convention. In adopting the honor conferred upon him, O'Donnell said that the new administration would be dedicated to the work of establishing an alumni chapter in New York City, and called upon the members of the chapter to assist in making it a reality.

Dwight L. Moody was chosen secretary to take O'Donnell's place. Joseph L. Jones and Joseph A. Fleitzer will continue in the offices of vice-president and treasurer, respectively.

Carl Ackerman, war correspondent for the *United Press* and *Philadelphia Public Ledger*, will be the guest of the Columbia chapter at the weekly luncheon February 3. Mr. Ackerman has just returned from Europe after spending the last six years in telling America what has been going on across the Atlantic. While in the British Isles, he played a very important part in the settling of the Irish question, and has many interesting tales of what has been going on behind the scenes in that country.

Mr. Ackerman was elected to the Columbia chapter while still in Europe, and this is the first time that the present members have had the opportunity to meet him.

### IOWA STATE WORKING ON GRIDIRON BANQUET

Largely due to the increased activities facing the Iowa State chapter during the winter and spring months it has been decided to meet once every two weeks at the dinner hour.

Although frequent meetings have been held heretofore, particularly this fall before the convention, the conflict with other business during the other hours of the day, as well as the program ahead of the chapter made it seem advisable to get together regularly and more often.

Now that the work following in the wake of the convention is over the winter's activities will consist chiefly in getting out the second issue of the *Green Gander* and in making ready for the annual Gridiron Banquet. Work on the *Gander* will be the first matter of business as it will be our Valentine's day, February 14.

The expense of these fortnightly meetings will be borne by the chapter.

### S. D. X. HAS CORNER ON JOURNALISTIC TALENT AT UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Sigma Delta Chi "rates" at the University of Nebraska. The Sigma stands for success, the Delta for diligence, and the Chi for everything else that goes to make up a wide-awake, energetic and powerful campus organization.

Exactly what wonderful accomplishments make the chapter so proud of itself, you might ask. All right, here you are:

The Awgwan. Everybody knows what it is, has read it, and appreciates it as one of the greatest college comics in the country. It is managed exclusively by the Nebraska chapter of Sigma Delta Chi. The major staff positions are held by members of the fraternity.

The Evening Shun. Only Cornhuskers know, read, and appreciate this sheet. It makes its appearance but once a year, yet jolts the students at Nebraska so severely that one issue is still fresh in their minds when another appears. It is distributed on "University Night," a time when all Huskers "see themselves as others see them."

Just a few remarks about the personnel of the chapter:

Clarence H. Ross, president. Ross is a senior and very prominent in journalistic activities. He was managing editor of the 1921 Cornhusker and is now managing editor of the Awgwan.

Roy Gustafson, vice-president. Gustafson is president of the senior class and of the Press Club. He was formerly news editor of the Daily Nebraskan and now an assistant in the department of journalism.

Orvin B. Gaston, secretary-treasurer. Gaston is a junior and has served as sports editor, news editor and managing editor of the Daily Nebraskan. He also edited the 1921 student directories and freshman hand books.

Gregg McBride. McBride is a junior and assistant sports editor of the Lincoln Daily Star. Last year he was news editor of the Daily Nebraskan and elected managing editor but his work on the Star forced him to resign.

N. Story Harding. Harding is a senior and has been news editor, managing editor and editor-in-chief of the Daily Nebraskan as well as president of the Press Club. He is now assisting in the journalism department.

Hugh Carson—senior. Last year he was business manager of the Cornhusker. He was elected business manager of the Awgwan for 1921-22 but recently resigned. He is president of the Innocents, senior honorary society.

Bert Quackenbush—senior. Holds a responsible position with the Kline Publishing Co. He will receive the university certificate in journalism next spring.

Richard Reese—junior. Business manager of the Awgwan. Last year he was a member of the student publication board, which controls all university publications.

Leonard M. Cowley—senior. Night editor of the Lincoln State Journal and editor-in-chief of the Awgwan. He has served as news editor of the Daily Nebraskan. He is very prominent in all university journalistic activities.

Kenneth McCandless—senior. Has worked on the reportorial staff of both the Lincoln State Journal and Lincoln Daily Star. He was formerly sports editor of the Daily Nebraskan.

Ray Stryker—junior. Present business manager of the Cornhusker, one of the big jobs in university journalism.

Harlan Boyer—junior. Boyer has taken all the journalism courses offered in the University of Nebraska. He has been assistant editor of the Daily Nebraskan and is on the 1922 Cornhusker staff.

Oswald Black—senior. His work as cartoonist with the Lincoln Daily Star is attracting wide attention. He has a great future in this work. He has held staff positions on the Daily Nebraskan, Cornhusker, and Awgwan.

Jack Austin—junior. Now editor-in-chief of the Daily Nebraskan. Last year he was news editor and managing editor. He was on the 1921 Cornhusker staff. Journalism is his chosen work.

Now you know why Sigma Delta Chi is what it is at Nebraska. Every member is doing his bit to put the chapter on the map. The activities of the chapter as a whole make it an important factor in the life of the University. This combination is unbeatable—Sigma Delta Chi "rates" at the University of Nebraska!

### DE PAUW TO HOLD A 2-DAY CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS JOURNALISM

DePauw chapter has just completed publication of the first number of the Yellow Crab, the semi-annual humorous "pest" of the campus, with the largest sale recorded in the history of the local chapter. One thousand "Crabs" were sold, and already plans are under way for the spring issue.

A journalistic conference, taking the form of a two-day round table discussion, is now being formulated by the DePauw chapter under the director of Prof. L. E. Mitchell, instructor of journalism. A tentative date has been set in February, and several nationally known journalists, as well as prominent editors in Indiana will be on the program for the conference.

### \$100 PRIZE FOR MEMBERS OF S. D. X. IS OFFERED BY F. P. STOCKBRIDGE

Frank Parker Stockbridge, editor and publisher of the Co-Operative Commonwealth of Chicago, has offered a prize of \$100 to the undergraduate members of the fraternity.

The prize is for the best article "dealing concretely with specific consumer co-operative enterprises, based upon information personally gathered."

Mr. Stockbridge made the announcement of this prize at the organization meeting of the Chicago Alumni Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi. It will be offered annually, and is to be known as the Chicago Alumni Chapter Co-Operative Prize.

Manuscripts are to be sent direct to Mr. Stockbridge, at 128 N. Wells street, Chicago. The author's name and address must be marked at the top of the first page, together with the words, "Submitted for the Chicago Chapter prize." All manuscripts submitted must be mailed not later than March 1. The articles can be from 500 to 2,500 words in length.

Further details may be had by writing to Mr. Stockbridge.

### 75 ATTEND CONVENTION OF PRESS ASSOCIATION AT BELOIT COLLEGE

Journalists from every college and university in Wisconsin attended the third annual convention of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Press Association at Beloit, December 1, 2, and 3.

Seventy-five guests were entertained and a three-day program was arranged by the Beloit chapter of Sigma Delta Chi. Harry Hensen, Literary editor of the Chicago Daily News, spoke on "The Romance of the Interview" at the annual banquet.

George W. Greene (Beloit, '22), now attending the University of Wisconsin, was elected president of the association. Edmund C. Carpenter (Marquette), was elected vice-president and David K. Steenberg (Wisconsin), is treasurer. Prof. R. B. Ellard, head of the department of journalism at Beloit college was chosen faculty director. The next convention will be held at Ripon, Wis.

Representatives from the University of Missouri, Columbia University, and the Medill schools of journalism acted as judges in the collegiate newspaper competition. The Marquette Tribune of Marquette University took first prize, the Round Table of Beloit college, second; the Lawrentian of Lawrence college, third; and the Cardinell of the University of Wisconsin, fourth.

**MARQUETTE TRIBUNE  
JUDGED BEST COLLEGE  
PAPER IN WISCONSIN**

The Marquette Tribune, weekly publication of Marquette University, was awarded highest honors as being the best college paper in the state of Wisconsin at the annual convention of the Wisconsin Inter-collegiate Press Association held at Beloit college in December.

The publications were judged by members of the faculty of the Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University; the School of Journalism, University of Missouri, and of the Pulitzer School of Journalism, Columbia University. Edmund S. Carpenter, Oswego, Kansas, managing editor of the Marquette Tribune, was elected vice-president.

The staff of the Marquette Tribune numbers among its members the following Sigma Delta Chi members: Albert P. Schimberg, editor-in-chief; Charles Byrnes, news editor; Arthur Tiller and Oliver Kuechle, sport editor.

On December 13 Marquette chapter initiated eleven members. The ceremony took place at the Marquette Union, after which a banquet was served in honor of the initiates at the Maryland Hotel, Milwaukee. Among the impressive parts of the after-dinner program was a brief history of the national fraternity, sketched for the new members by the president, Charles Byrnes.

Discussion of possible entertainment at the university in the city featuring a grid dinner, similar to the miniature affair presented at Ames, Iowa, but on a large scale, for the convention delegates, was taken up at the banquet. Due to the many social affairs constantly in progress at the university, it was decided to set the date of the proposed event far in the future in order to gain full support from the student body and civic organizations.

One of the most important communications made to the chapter was announced when John Danihy, S. J., regent of the School of Journalism, Marquette University, offered to assist the fraternity in taking over a publicity campaign for the entire university. A committee was appointed to plan the campaign, which is to start in the near future.

"Sigma Delta Chi has laid a basis for such a campaign long ago. The strength represented at this gathering is sufficient to swing the campaign successfully. Your interest is wider than that of a mere fraternity chapter for Marquette; you ought to be able to do as much as any commercial agency because you have the talent necessary. We will back you in your effort." These were some of the words he said to the members at the banquet when he offered the chapter the opportunity for initiating the campaign.

Sigma Delta Chi is sponsoring a series

of lectures to be given under auspices of the Marquette Press Club. These lectures are open to all who are interested, and fill a need for this particular branch of Journalism, as the talks embrace all phases of the newspaper game. The lectures were started last year by Sigma Delta Chi.

**S. D. X ALUMNI CHAPTER  
ORGANIZED IN CHICAGO;  
17 CHARTER MEMBERS**

Chicago alumni of Sigma Delta Chi organized an alumni chapter at the City Club, Chicago, November 14. Seventeen members aided in establishing the new organization, and are therefore, the charter members, representing the Ohio State, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, De Pauw, Western Reserve, Miami, Michigan and Ames chapters. The alumni chapter elected Frank Thayer of the Joseph Medill School of Journalism delegate to the convention at Ames in December, approved the petitions of the Associated Journalists of the Medill School and the Press Club of Washington State College, and appointed a committee to investigate the possibilities of establishing a Sigma Delta Chi employment bureau in Chicago. Frank Parker Stockbridge, former managing editor of the New York Evening Mail, is chairman of the committee on the employment bureau.

A prize of \$100 will be offered to the Sigma Delta Chi undergraduate who writes the best article on customer co-operation. Details of this plan will be announced later.

Officers of the new alumni chapter are: Frank Thayer, president; Ward A. Neff of the Drovers Journal, vice-president; Roy Fricken of the Chicago Daily News, secretary; R. H. Niece of the Munsey publications, treasurer; and George Stone of the Evening Post, James O'Donnell Bennett of the Chicago Tribune, K. Dewitt Pulcifer of the Associated Press and Nathaniel Waring Barnes of the University of Chicago, members of the executive committee.

**DES MOINES ALUMNI  
FORM A CHAPTER; DON  
MALIN IS PRESIDENT**

Alumni of Sigma Delta Chi living in Des Moines recently formed an alumni chapter at luncheon at the Grant Club. Regular monthly luncheons are being held throughout the winter, and representatives of the chapter will attend as many as possible of the national convention sessions at Ames in December.

Don F. Malin, associate editor of Wallace's Farmer, of the Ames chapter, was chosen president and Donald H. Clark, editor of the Northwestern Banker of the Grinnell and Columbia chapters was made secretary-treasurer. There are more than

twenty alumni of the fraternity living in Des Moines, and the baby chapter expects to be very active from the start. The three Iowa chapters, at Grinnell College, University of Iowa, and Iowa State College, Ames, are all within easy distance of Des Moines, making it possible for the alumni chapter to co-operate in some of the work of the active chapters.

Among the prominent Des Moines men who are alumni of Sigma Delta Chi are Henry C. Wallace, secretary of agriculture and editor of Wallace's Farmer (Ames), Harvey Ingham, editor of the Des Moines Register (Grinnell); Charles Lynde, manager of Successful Farming (Grinnell); Chester A. Goss, associate editor Successful Farming (Ames); W. E. Battenfield, manager Des Moines News (Grinnell.)

**SIGMA DELTA CHI EDITS  
EVERY PUBLICATION ON  
CAMPUS AT CORNELL**

With the election of the editor and business manager of the Cornell Era, the literary and pictorial monthly, the Cornell chapter of Sigma Delta Chi completed the list of editors of the main university publications. The Cornell Daily Sun has Sigma Delta Chi men in the positions of editor, business manager, managing editor, circulation manager and advertising manager, as well as seven other associate members on the board.

On the board of the Cornell Widow, the comic monthly, the editor, one of the business staff and two associate editors are Sigma Delta Chi men, while on the Countryman, the large "Ag" College publication, the editor and one of the associate editors are members of the local chapter.

Associate members of the Cornell chapter hold the positions of editor of the Ithaca Journal-News, editor, business manager and managing editor of the Alumni News, editor and assistant chief of the "Ag" College publications and supervisor of the Farm Correspondence Courses.

At a convention of high school editors held at Cornell last November under the auspices of Sigma Delta Chi an organization was formed with the name, Eastern Interscholastic Publications Associations, with the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi as corresponding secretary.

Over thirty representatives from seventeen secondary schools attended the convention and held round table discussions on the problems of makeup, advertising and organization, the value and dangers of the personal item, the need of correct training in English, methods of putting the publication on a par with the other activities in the school and problems of news values and methods of reporting.

A mimeographed service sheet "E. I. P.

A. News" will be sent out monthly from Ithaca to the seventeen charter members of the organization. The first issue was sent out in December.

### UNUSUALLY SUCCESSFUL DANCE GIVEN BY S. D. X. AT HOTEL McALPIN, N. Y.

The Columbia University Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi departed from the Columbia custom of holding dances in the University district and invaded the downtown section of New York when it held a dance at the Hotel McAlpin on December 16. This dance was the most satisfactory social affair planned by the fraternity since the installation of the Columbia Chapter.

Its scope was limited only by the inevitable hindrances of time and space; the time being that necessarily consumed by the alumni in their wild dash toward the center of festivities, and the space, the ground they had to cover. Where these handicaps were too great to be overcome, they sent telegrams or, in some cases, cablegrams.

From the many alumni of the fraternity who were present, it was evident that Sigma Delta Chi is making real progress along the lines of its ideal, a higher ethical standard in journalism.

In accordance with the Columbia chapter's policy of not limiting its social functions to members of Sigma Delta Chi, every man in the Pulitzer School and every alumnus of the school received an invitation to the dance at the McAlpin. The alumni and the students outside of Sigma Delta Chi responded with an enthusiasm that argues well for the place that Sigma Delta Chi has created for itself in the Pulitzer School.

The dance itself was what no newspaperman, but every enthusiastic citizen and citizenne would call, "splendiferous". The journalists wore gowns that outmatched even the grandeur of the well-known "Green Room", where the dance was held, and our humble sirs wore their "soup and fish" with a poise and a savoir faire that marks them for the future as nothing less than foreign correspondents to the Court of St. James or elsewhere.

Supper was served at midnight as the giant presses of Park Row, several miles south, began to roll the news off for the morrow. But there was no thought of Park Row at this party, just an atmosphere of pure joyousness over a splendid reunion and festival. Dancing, talking, laughing and eating from nine until two, and then away for the next day's work, with the knowledge that Sigma Delta Chi had done something of which it might be proud, something which could only spread the favorable impression it already has wherever newspapers are published.

The committee which arranged for the

dance consisted of: Joseph A. Fleitzer, Edward P. O'Donnell, Robert H. Best, A. J. Ezickson and Arthur Wessel.

### MISSOURI CHAPTER HAS FIVE NEW PLEDGES OF EXCELLENT CALIBRE

Missouri takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity five new pledges. The men are Lawrence Babb, Donald Calhoun, Robert Lusk, George LeCrone and Ernest Garth. All are prominent in journalistic activities, and have proved themselves able newspaper men. Garth is doing good work at present as business manager of The Show-me, humorous publication here.

Incident to the return to Dean Walter Williams, the chapter is to have a smoker in his honor February 7. Dean Williams is an honorary member of Sigma Delta Chi. While no topic is given for a speech that night, he will talk to the members in an informal way concerning his trip through the Orient during the last three months.

The weekly luncheons have been abandoned for the time being. Instead, the regular meetings are held every other Tuesday. At present, the Gridiron Banquet preparations are the center of activity. This is a decided innovation at Missouri, but will doubtless go over with a bang if plans now on foot carry through. The chapter is working in co-operation with the Columbia Commercial Club on the proposed banquet, and its initial effort is expected to meet with unqualified success and interest.

In a recent creation of a new division in the University of Missouri, two of the members of Sigma Delta Chi were chosen to fill the department. A publicity directorship was opened up, and Victor Keen and H. Francis Misselwitz are handling publicity for the University. Their work includes a state-wide daily news service. At present, the Memorial Union Building

campaign is taking up most of their work. This is expected to take place in February. The campaign will be national in its scope.

An extraordinarily large number of the present chapter members at Missouri are seniors. However, it is the policy of the chapter to consider men for membership at the close of their sophomore year. The pledges at that time will be chosen judiciously; but with the splendid field in the Missouri School of Journalism, the new class will offer, it is felt, men sufficient in both numbers and qualifications to replace those going out.

### Directory of the Chapter Secretaries

**DePauw**—Morris Bridwell, Phi Gamma Delta House, Greencastle, Indiana.  
**Kansas**—James B. Austin, 1145 Indiana street, Lawrence.  
**Michigan**—Stewart T. Beach, 620 South State, Ann Arbor.  
**Denver**—Carlos G. Stratton, 2140 South Clayton, Denver.  
**Virginia**—Ceylon B. Frazer, S. A. E. house, University, Va.  
**Washington**—George B. Astel, 1804 E. 50th street, Seattle.  
**Purdue**—R. A. McMahan, 277 Littleton street, West Lafayette.  
**Ohio State**—Henry C. Segal, 174 E. Woodruff avenue, Columbus.  
**Wisconsin**—G. W. Greene, 445 West Gilman street, Madison.  
**Iowa**—C. J. Huston, 714 E. College street, Iowa City.  
**Illinois**—Edward P. Leonard, 401 East Green street, Champaign.  
**Missouri**—Victor Keen, School of Journalism, Columbia.  
**Texas**—Milton Ling, 2508 Nueces street, Austin.  
**Oregon**—John Dierdorff, 388 11th avenue east, Eugene.  
**Oklahoma**—Prof. H. H. Herbert, School of Journalism, Norman.  
**Indiana**—William Hutchison, Delta Tau house, Bloomington.  
**Nebraska**—Orvin Gaston, 1828 Garfield, Lincoln.  
**Iowa State**—V. B. Hamilton, Alpha Gamma Rho house, Ames, Iowa.  
**Stanford**—Wylie M. Kilpatrick, Stanford University, Calif.  
**Montana**—Earle Duffy, 300 University Ave., Missoula, Montana.  
**Louisiana**—L. W. Brooks, 427 Boyd avenue, Baton Rouge.  
**Kansas State**—V. R. Blackledge, 913 Osage, Manhattan.  
**Maine**—Frederick F. Marston, Phi Gamma Delta house, Orono.  
**Beloit**—Walter Ritscher, 1248 Chapin street, Beloit.  
**Minnesota**—Thomas W. Phelps, 1625 University ave., S. E. Minneapolis.  
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